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FOREWORD

In June, 1914, the National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers published the Report of the hearings held before Dr. C. L. Alsberg on the use of colloids as stabilizers in ice cream, the butter fat standard for ice cream and the bacteriology of ice cream, and in that part of the report which relates to the bacteriology of ice cream it appears that at the hearing Professor Gordon, Professor Prescott, Dr. Heinemann and Dr. Pease repeatedly referred to experiments which they had made and upon which they based their testimony. The National Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers now makes public the reports of these experiments for the benefit of those engaged in the ice cream industry and others interested in the subject.

These reports should be read in connection with the testimony above referred to.

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Report on Ice Cream Ex-
aminations Outlined in
Washington Hearing of
Ice Cream Manufacturers

JOHN GORDON

REPORT ON ICE CREAM EXAMINATIONS OUT- LINED IN WASHINGTON HEARING OF ICE CREAM MANUFACTURERS.

JOHN GORDON.

The experimental work as set forth herein was carried on with a view of obtaining exact information as to the factors which influence the bacteria content of ice cream as manufactured in commercial plants. The raw materials for ice cream manufacture were followed from the place of origin, the farm, through the creamery and condensory into the ice cream factory. In the creamery and condensory the effect of the handling consequent to the ordinary factory routine involved in the receiving, separating, pasteurizing, condensing, etc., of milk upon the bacteria content of the raw materials was considered. In the ice cream factory the effect of all routine operations upon the bacteria content of the ice cream up until the time of delivery to the retailer were considered.

Methods.

The agar employed in all experiments reported herein was prepared after the method recommended by the American Public Health Associations' Committee on Standard Milk Analysis. All plates were incubated at 37° C. for a period of 48 hours.

Since most of the ice cream experiments were made on semi-hard ice cream, samples were taken directly from the freezers in sterile bottles holding seventy cubic centimeters, which were stoppered and carried immediately to the laboratory of the Wheat's Ice Cream Company, wherein most of the work was done.

When it was necessary to sample hard ice cream in the containers, this was done by forcing a sterile butter trier down through the ice cream in the can. After the core thus obtained was withdrawn, it was broken with a sterile spatula and except for a thin section on the top was

placed in a sterile wide-mouthed sample bottle, holding seventy cubic centimeters.

After the samples had reached the laboratory, they were in all cases melted by placing the bottles in a dish containing warm water. After melting, the routine procedure of an ordinary milk analysis was followed.

Many of the tables given are a fractional part of the data on that particular subject, being the results of the routine tests of a large commercial ice cream manufactory. Naturally, nothing would be gained by printing the results of a great many routine tests where a few will depict average conditions satisfactorily.

Tests on Farm Milks Received At a Creamery Supplying Several Ice Cream Factories.

THE BACTERIAL CONTENTS OF FARMERS' MILKS AT TIME OF DELIVERY TO CREAMERY ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS.

Sample	Patron	Bacteria Content Per C.C.
1	No. 170	1,700,000
2	" 61	6,100,000
3	" 154	15,400,000
4	" 285	90,000
5	" 285	55,000
6	" 77	32,500
7	" 77	2,500,000
8	" 265	2,850,000
9	" 265	280,000
10	" 15	950,000
11	" 15	155,000
12	" 15	1,250,000
13	" 266	7,000,000
14	" 266	28,000
15	" 215	2,000,000
16	" 281	960,000
17	" 281	3,000,000
18	" 224	700,000
19	" 224	110,000
20	" 224	450,000
21	" 292	480,000
22	" 292	10,000,000
23	" 292	1,800,000
24	" 66	820,000
25	" 101	95,000
26	" 101	120,000
27	" 288	360,000
28	" 288	1,750,000
29	" 288	200,000

The above table is used merely to show the general run of bacteria contents of farmers' milk as received at an ice cream creamery. It represents only a few of the tests made, but the printing of more would be needless, as it shows that one farmer may bring milk of high bacteria

content one day and milk of low bacteria content the next.

**The Bacteria Content of Milk, Cream, and Condensed Milk, Used
For Ice Cream Manufacture As Received At
Several Ice Cream Plants.**

The following two tables depict the condition in which cream arrives at the average ice cream factory from the average country creamery:

**BACTERIA CONTENTS OF PASTEURIZED CREAM FROM CREAMERY A AT
TIME OF DELIVERY TO ICE CREAM PLANT IN
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK.**

Date		Bacteria Content Per C.C.
Aug. 21st	Can 1	26,100,000
	" 2	9,500,000
	" 3	51,600,000
	" 4	52,500,000
	" 5	27,400,000
Aug. 23rd	" 1	11,500,000
	" 2	11,000,000
Aug. 24th	" 1	22,500,000
	" 2	19,600,000
Aug. 29th	" 1	29,000,000
	" 2	31,100,000
	" 3	20,000,000
	" 4	22,800,000
Sept. 1st	" 1	1,300,000
	" 2	1,450,000

**BACTERIA CONTENTS OF PASTEURIZED CREAM FROM CREAMERY B
SHIPPING TO THE ROCHESTER PLANT.**

Date		Bacteria Content Per C.C.
Aug. 9th	Can 1	5,000,000
	" 2	10,000,000
	" 3	4,300,000
Aug. 24th	" 1	5,100,000
	" 2	15,200,000
	" 3	15,000,000
	" 4	1,500,000
Sept. 2nd	" 1	1,060,000
	" 2	1,760,000

Since I was convinced that the high counts obtained on the pasteurized cream from the creameries A and B were due not to faulty methods of pasteurization but to poor storage facilities since they, like the great bulk of creameries, relied upon the ice tank method of storage, I had one of the creameries ship cream to the ice cream factory directly after pasteurization and cooling and not hold it in the ice tank until the next day as was the usual custom. The ordinary method of pasteurization was followed, no unusual precautions being taken.

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF PASTEURIZED CREAM PROPERLY COOLED
AFTER PASTEURIZATION AND SHIPPED IMMEDIATELY.

Date		Bacteria Per C.C.
Sept. 2nd	Can 1	39,000
	" 2	21,000
	" 3	71,000
	" 4	39,000
	" 5	33,000
	" 6	70,000
	" 7	35,000
	" 8	64,000
	" 9	26,000

The following table shows that the ice cream manufacturer may when he purchases pasteurized milk be obtaining milk of much higher bacteria content than raw milk. The milk in this case was sweet and apparently good but it required a bacteriological analysis before the enormous bacteria content was revealed:

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF PASTEURIZED MILK SOLD TO AN ICE CREAM
COMPANY BY A DAIRY CONCERN.

Can 1	60,000,000 Bacteria per C.C.
" 2	420,000,000 " "
" 3	21,000,000 " " "
" 4	100,000,000 " " "

THE BACTERIA CONTENTS OF HOMOGENIZED CREAM FROM CREAMERY
C AS RECEIVED AT AN ICE CREAM FACTORY ON DIFFERENT DAYS.

Date	Sample	Bacteria Per C.C.
Aug. 3	1	4,800
" 4	2	6,500
" 5	3	8,000
" 6	4	15,500
" 7	5	5,000
" 8	6	3,400
" 9	7	80,000
" 10	8	250,000
" 11	9	125,000
" 12	10	30,000

Since the process of homogenization as followed at this creamery required a temperature of 180° F., it followed that the bacteria content would be low. Only a very small percentage of ice cream manufacturers have homogenizers, however, therefore homogenizers cannot be a factor in reducing the bacteria content of ice cream.

BACTERIA CONTENT OF CONDENSED MILK FROM TWO CREAMERY AND
CONDENSERIES.

Date	Condensery	Bacteria Per C.C.
July	A	2,940,000
"	A	50,000
"	A	53,000
Aug.	A	10,000
"	A	35,000
"	A	80,000
"	B	5,000,000
"	B	180,000
"	B	2,000,000

The foregoing shows that the bacteria content of the type of condensed (unsweetened whole milk) used in ice cream manufacture fluctuates after the fashion of normal milk or cream. The condensing temperature (120° F.) kills only a portion of the bacteria, nor is the superheating temperature (180° F.) sufficient to dispose of the entire number. Numerous factors can increase the bacteria content of condensed milk, temperature being the chief one. If the condensed milk is not cooled to a low enough temperature after being drawn from the condensing pan, the bacteria content will increase to enormous proportions. Unsweetened condensed milk must be cared for with the ordinary care awarded normal milk. The best possible storage conditions must obtain for its successful storage.

The Increase In Bacteria Contents of Raw Materials During Shipment By Rail.

It is not customary for railroads to provide ice for the preservation of milk in transit. In the hot summer weather enormous increases of the bacteria content of milk and much actual souring of milk results from the faulty methods of transportation in use.

The following table does not depict average conditions, because the creamery mentioned in the experiment is equipped with artificial refrigeration and consequently secures much lower temperatures prior to shipment than the average creamery can secure :

TABLE SHOWING INCREASE OF TEMPERATURES AND BACTERIA IN FIVE-HOUR SHIPMENT PERIOD OF MILK FROM AKRON, N. Y., TO ROCHESTER, N. Y., ON A COOL DAY IN AUGUST.
MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE 76° F.

	Temperature Akron, N. Y.	Temperature Rochester, N. Y.	Increase in Temperature
Can 1	43° F.	55° F.	12° F.
" 2	44° "	55° "	11° "
" 3	44° "	52° "	8° "
" 4	42° "	53° "	11° "
" 5	44° "	55° "	11° "
" 6	43° "	53° "	10° "
" 7	45° "	55° "	10° "
" 8	46° "	54° "	9° "
" 9	45° "	54° "	9° "
" 10	45° "	55° "	10° "

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF FOREGOING CANS OF MILK AT STARTING AND FINISHING POINTS OF SHIPMENT.

	At Akron, N. Y. Bacteria Per C.C.	At Rochester, N. Y. Bacteria Per C.C.	Increase
Can 1	140,000	230,000	90,000
" 2	117,000	250,000	133,000
" 3	96,000	300,000	204,000
" 4	107,000	210,000	103,000
" 5	97,000	225,000	128,000
" 6	85,000	330,000	265,000
" 7	170,000	265,000	95,000
" 8	225,000	320,000	95,000
" 9	130,000	420,000	290,000
" 10	120,000	850,000	730,000
Average Bact. Content	127,000	Aver. Bact. Content 342,000	Aver. Increase 210,000

The above demonstrates that even on a cool day milk shipped at a low initial temperature will very materially increase, in fact almost double in bacteria content.

Storage of Ice Cream Materials.

A SIX DAY TEST ON THE BACTERIAL GROWTH IN UNPASTEURIZED CREAM STORED AT 32°F. IN THE COLD ROOM OF AN ICE CREAM PLANT.

		Bacteria Per C.C.
First day	Can 1	12,000,000
	" 2	10,500,000
	" 3	12,500,000
Third day	" 1	12,800,000
	" 2	10,800,000
	" 3	13,000,000
Fourth day	" 1	12,000,000
	" 2	9,000,000
	" 3	10,000,000
Fifth day	" 1	14,800,000
	" 2	10,000,000
	" 3	14,500,000
Sixth day	" 1	17,800,000
	" 2	12,200,000
	" 3	13,500,000

The above table shows a material increase in bacteria in unpasteurized cream in storage at 32° F. starting on the sixth day. This is a longer period than cream is commonly stored in the ice cream factory.

It should be borne in mind that only a small percentage of ice cream manufacturers have artificial refrigeration, therefore, the best temperature of storage obtainable by many ice cream factories is 40° F. to 50° F. and their

milk and cream storage facilities are confined to ice tanks or ice boxes.

The Bacteria Contents of Other Ice Cream Materials.

The following gelatine analyses were made by weighing out one gram of gelatine on a sterile filter paper, which was afterwards used funnel fashion to pour the gelatine into a 99 cubic centimeter water blank which had been warmed up slightly. After the warm water had taken the gelatine into solution the bottle was considered to contain a 1-100 dilution and the test proceeded with accordingly:

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF RAW GELATINE AS RECEIVED FROM MANUFACTURER OR JOBBER.

Sample	Bacteria Content Per Gram	Sample	Bacteria Content Per Gram
1	1,150,000	14	29,000,000
2	2,050,000	15	1,600,000
3	2,850,000	16	20,000,000
4	45,000	17	28,500,000
5	2,370,000	18	25,000,000
6	200	19	11,000,000
7	3,500	20	16,000,000
8	4,000	21	600
9	20,000,000	22	1,200
10	30,000,000	23	14,000
11	75,000	24	200
12	30,000	25	200
13	200,000	26	100

The last six samples are table gelatines. The preceding samples are ice cream gelatines.

The Preparation of Raw Gelatine For Use In Ice Cream.

This is properly done by bringing the desired amount of water to the point where it boils vigorously and then shutting the steam off. The gelatine should then be poured into the cooker. A large part of it will immediately dissolve and a slight stirring will cause the rest to do the same. The gelatine is immediately poured into the ice cream. This process, which is followed in the modern plants, secures very satisfactory results and renders certain the almost complete destruction of the bacteria in the raw gelatine. The bacteria content of gelatine prepared in this fashion is rarely over 2,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter.

Bacteria Content of Sugar.

Analyses of sugar secured from several ice cream

plants were practically negative in that they contained practically no bacteria. Molds, however, were occasionally present.

BACTERIA CONTENT OF VANILLA.

Sample	Bacteria Per C.C.	Sample	Bacteria Per C.C.
1	1,800	3	100
2	1,700	4	2,000

Effect of Mixing And Freezing Processes on the Bacteria Content of Ice Cream.

It is a generally recognized fact that agitation of a milk sample produces an apparent increase of bacteria in the same, due to the breaking up of clumps, which, had they remained intact, would have produced only one colony when plated. In cream there is an added incentive toward the clumping of bacteria and a consequent uneven distribution, owing to its heavy, viscid nature.

Experiments made at the Iowa Experiment Station while the writer was working on the effect of freezing on Lactic Acid bacteria in "Lacto," a frozen product made of clabbered milk, and originated at that Station, revealed an enormous apparent increase in these bacteria in the frozen lacto as compared with the unfrozen material. Much of the increase I ascribed to the breaking up of clumps of coagulated milk, although prior to freezing, the mixed material was carefully strained through a very fine meshed strainer. How much of the increase was due to the breaking up of aggregates of bacteria, I would not attempt to say.

After noticing on many occasions a marked increase in the bacterial content of the frozen ice cream as made in commercial plants over the mixed materials, I concluded that the increase was due to the agitation received in the mixer or in the freezers.

INFLUENCE OF MIXING PROCESS ON BACTERIAL CONTENT OF ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE GALLONS OF ICE CREAM MIXTURE.

Experiment	Average Number of Bacteria before Mixing	Average Number of Bacteria after Freezing
1	22,500,000	14,500,000
2	19,000,000	20,000,000
3	25,500,000	26,500,000
4	30,000,000	28,000,000
5	39,000,000	38,000,000

From these tests it can be concluded that the agitation of the paddles in the mixer is not sufficient to create an apparent bacterial increase in the materials being mixed. This condition, however, can be brought about by holding the materials in the mixer for a much longer period of time than is usually the custom.

Effect of Agitation In Freezer on Bacteria Content of Ice Cream.

All the experiments following were made under practical conditions except that the hopper from which the unfrozen sample was taken and the freezer through which the cream passed were made practically sterile by the use of boiling hot water. The time of freezing (six to eight minutes) and the freezing temperature (10° F.) were not changed from the daily routine. All results are the averages of the results on two or more samples.

Test	Bacteria Per C.C. in Unfrozen Mix.	Bacteria Per C.C. in Ice Cream	Increase of Bact. Per C.C.	Decrease of Bact. Per C.C.
1	13,725,000	22,900,000	9,175,000	
2	16,450,000	25,400,000	8,950,000	
3	2,925,000	2,255,000		670,000
4	2,125,000	1,950,000		175,000
5	7,000,000	7,330,000	330,000	
6	3,000,000	7,230,000	4,230,000	
7	3,500,000	5,500,000	2,000,000	
8	860,000	1,160,000	300,000	
9	725,000	1,630,000	900,000	
10	720,000	2,310,000	1,590,000	
11	5,000,000	6,600,000	1,600,000	
12	5,400,000	5,870,000	470,000	
13	1,800,000	1,413,000		400,000
14	1,675,000	1,750,000	75,000	
15	1,950,000	2,120,000	170,000	
16	4,900,000	7,500,000	2,600,000	
17	3,650,000	6,200,000	2,550,000	
18	7,500,000	15,000,000	7,500,000	
19	5,700,000	10,500,000	5,000,000	
20	1,200,000	1,700,000	500,000	
21	6,500,000	15,000,000	8,500,000	
22	8,500,000	12,000,000	3,500,000	
23	13,200,000	13,000,000		200,000
24	9,500,000	17,800,000	8,300,000	
25	11,200,000	12,500,000	1,300,000	
26	530,000	650,000	130,000	
27	200,000	240,000	40,000	
28	600,000	700,000	100,000	
29	370,000	570,000	270,000	
30	150,000	650,000	500,000	
31	170,000	520,000	350,000	

The above results readily prove that the rapidly revolving dashers in the ice cream freezer, by their action upon clumps of bacteria produce an apparent increase in the total number of bacteria in the frozen ice cream.

Increase Experiment In Which All the Materials of a Batch of Ice Cream Were Tested Prior to Mixing.

MILK.

	Bacteria Per C.C.		Bacteria Per C.C.
Can 1	10,000,000	Can 4	10,000,000
" 2	6,000,000	" 5	140,000,000
" 3	9,000,000		

CREAM.

	Bacteria Per C.C.		Bacteria Per C.C.
Can 1	40,000,000	Can 4	6,000,000
" 2	2,000,000	" 5	1,500,000
" 3	2,700,000	" 6	

CONDENSED MILK.

	Bacteria Per C.C.		Bacteria Per C.C.
Can 1	40,000,000	Can 3	10,000,000
" 2	7,000,000	" 4	

OTHER MATERIALS.

Gelatine—1,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter.

Sugar—No bacteria; a few molds.

Vanilla—100 bacteria per cubic centimeter.

BACTERIAL CONTENT OF MIXED MATERIALS IN MIXER.

Average of two samples—25,500,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter.

BACTERIAL CONTENT OF MIXED MATERIALS TAKEN FROM HOPPER ON TOP FREEZER.

Freezer No. 14	Freezer No. 15
26,500,000	26,000,000

BACTERIAL CONTENT OF THE FROZEN ICE CREAM.

Freezer No. 14	Freezer No. 15
40,500,000	46,500,000

EFFECT OF STORAGE TEMPERATURES ON BACTERIAL CONTENT OF ICE CREAM MADE IN ABOVE EXPERIMENT IN FREEZERS 14 AND 15 FROM TESTED MATERIALS. AVERAGE STORAGE TEMPERATURE, ZERO FAHRENHEIT.

Freezer 14		Freezer 15	
Storage	Bacteria Per C.C.	Storage	Bacteria Per C.C.
1st day	40,500,000	1st day	46,500,000
3rd "	42,000,000	3rd "	39,500,000
4th "	18,500,000	4th "	19,000,000
5th "	21,500,000	5th "	26,000,000
6th "	35,000,000	6th "	28,000,000
8th "	36,000,000		
10th "	37,000,000	10th "	33,000,000
14th "	21,800,000	14th "	14,700,000
20th "	16,500,000		

Disregarding the rise and fall of the number of bacteria from day to day due to unequal distribution, it can be seen that there is a gradual decline of the number of bacteria in the stored ice cream beginning with the first day of storage.

EXPERIMENT SHOWING EFFECT OF ZERO FAHRENHEIT STORAGE
TEMPERATURES ON ICE CREAM OF LOW BACTERIA CONTENT.

	1st Day	8th Day
Can 1	55,000	52,000
" 2	49,000	42,000
" 3	55,000	48,000

A slight steady decline in the numbers of bacteria is apparent in the above results.

Distribution of Bacteria In Ice Cream.

BACTERIAL CONTENTS OF VARIOUS SAMPLES FROM THE CONTENTS
OF TEN-GALLON ICE CREAM FREEZERS.

Sample	Freezer 1 Bacteria Per C.C.	Sample	Freezer 2 Bacteria Per C.C.
1	20,000,000	1	21,400,000
2	24,000,000	2	25,500,000
3	14,000,000	3	29,600,000
4	23,000,000	4	27,000,000
5	16,500,000	5	25,000,000
6	20,000,000	6	24,000,000
7	31,000,000		
8	23,700,000		
9	29,500,000		
10	27,600,000		

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF SAMPLES FROM VARIOUS PORTIONS OF A
CAN OF ICE CREAM.

Sample	Can 1 Bacteria Per C.C.	Sample	Can 2 Bacteria Per C.C.
1	7,600,000	1	14,500,000
2	9,500,000	2	21,000,000
3	13,500,000	3	16,000,000
4	17,500,000	4	18,500,000
5	9,000,000	5	14,000,000

Widest Variation
9,900,000 Bacteria Per C.C.

Widest Variation
7,000,000 Bacteria Per C.C.

The results in this and the preceding table show that the distribution of bacteria in ice cream is markedly uneven.

The following bacteriological analyses of the product of a large commercial ice cream plant operated in a most cleanly fashion, show that such plants turn out ice cream of high bacteria content despite their many precautions. It can also be seen that the bacteria content of the ice cream varies greatly, both on the same day and succeeding days:

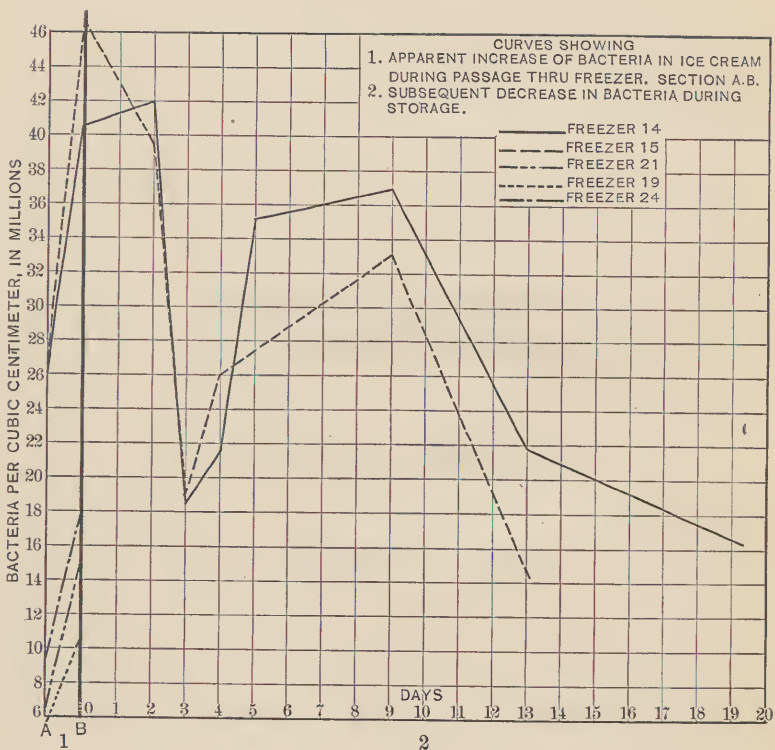
It can safely be said that of the numbers of bacteria recorded in the following table that only an infinitesimal percentage were due to the utensils in the ice cream plant.

The ice cream was positively manufactured under the best conditions obtainable in the ice cream industry to-day:

BACTERIA CONTENTS OF ICE CREAM MADE ON SUCCESSIVE DAYS IN A
SANITARY ICE CREAM PLANT.

Date	Sample	Bacteria Per C.C.
August 11th	1	11,000,000
	2	10,000,000
	3	14,000,000
	4	16,000,000
	5	15,000,000
" 12th	6	20,000,000
	1	5,000,000
	2	20,000,000
	3	15,000,000
	4	19,000,000
" 13th	1	1,600,000
	2	2,500,000
	3	1,500,000
	4	3,000,000
	1	10,000,000
" 14th	2	12,000,000
	3	11,000,000
	4	16,000,000
	5	2,500,000
	6	1,500,000
" 15th	7	3,000,000
	1	1,200,000
	4	1,000,000
	6	3,000,000
	1	
" 16th	2	10,000,000
	4	8,000,000
	5	5,000,000
	7	11,000,000
	1	20,000,000
" 18th	2	17,000,000
	4	16,000,000
	6	13,500,000
	7	14,000,000
	8	15,500,000
" 19th	2	10,000,000
	3	20,000,000
	4	18,000,000
	7	14,000,000
	1	12,500,000
" 20th	2	25,000,000
	4	18,000,000
	5	20,000,000
	6	22,000,000
	7	17,000,000
" 22nd	8	15,000,000
	3	4,000,000
	4	5,000,000
	5	5,500,000
	6	6,000,000
	7	4,000,000

Given raw materials of low bacteria content it can be said in absolute assurance that the ice cream manufacturer can produce with great ease ice cream of low bacteria content.



**Report on Ice Cream
Examinations**

S. C. PRESCOTT

PROF. S. C. PRESCOTT'S REPORT.

BOSTON, March 4, 1914.

WALTER J. CARLIN, Esq.,

2 Rector St., New York City.

Dear Sir.—Attached hereto are the figures for the examination of two lots of ice cream—one a very high grade product, obtained from one of our best caterers, the other a commercial sample manufactured by one of the largest ice cream dealers in the city. These have been examined with reference to the number of bacteria developing at room temperature and body temperature upon several different media as indicated, and we have used in this investigation two different lots of media, made in exactly the same way and differing only in that one of them has been kept in storage in our ice-chest for a period of a week longer than the other. The age at the time of use was for the media marked “old” ten days, and for the media marked “new,” three days. The examinations have been carried out in three different dilutions in order to observe what variations, if any, may be traced merely to difference in dilution of the sample.

The plots following the tables are in each case, I believe, self-explanatory, and have been made using the figures in each case which judgment would dictate to be the most reliable—namely—those dilutions which give from 25 to 200 or 300 bacteria per plate. The samples marked A₁, A₂, A₃ were all taken from the same general

location, and might be regarded as each forming a fraction of the top portion of the freezer. The sample marked B was taken from a point lower down in the freezer; C from a still lower layer, and D from the bottom. In this way we can determine differences, if any exist, in the portion of the freezer used. I think you will note both from the tables and the plots that it would be practically impossible to select any particular spoonful which could be taken as representing the whole mass, and you will also find that the age of the medium sometimes reacts one way and sometimes the other, but that in general the age is largely in favor of the newer or fresher medium.

Very truly yours,

SAMUEL C. PRESCOTT.

EXAMINATION OF VANILLA ICE CREAM. LOT 1, CATERER.

Determination of Effect of Different Media, Different Dilutions and Different Temperatures of Incubation on Numbers of Bacteria.

SAMPLE A1.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	51	4	0	
	20°	78	spr.	2	
		192	21	6	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	121	19	1	
	20°	52	2	0	
		61	4	3	
New Extract agar....	37°	184	29	spr.	
	20°	240	19	3	
		46	3	0	
Old Extract agar....	37°	53	2	2	
	20°	136	24	2	
		164	25	3	
		32	1	0	
	20°	38	0	3	
		138	16	3	
New Casein agar.....	37°	128	23	2	
	20°	19	2	0	
		23	2	16	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	22	6	17	
		19	5	5	
New Dextrose	37°	40	Acid 40	Acid 1	Acid spr.
Litmus agar		spr.	1	1	0
Old Dextrose	37°	11	11	4	spr.
Litmus agar		3	3	0	spr.
New Lactose	37°	12	11	0	0
Litmus agar		2	2	spr.	spr.
Old Lactose	37°	spr.	..	0	0
Litmus agar		spr.	..	0	1
New Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.
Old Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.

SAMPLE A2.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	6	spr.	
	20°	72	10	0	
		360	spr.	4	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	199	20	8	
	20°	spr.	9	2	
		71	108	2	
New Extract agar....	37°	224	32	3	
	20°	145	26	3	
		63	6	0	
Old Extract agar....	37°	40	7	1	
	20°	184	29	6	
		237	spr.	7	
		52	3	1	
	20°	156	7	2	
		171	18	6	
New Casein agar.....	37°	169	22	2	
	20°	29	10	5	
		25	0	1	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	62	2	0	
		30	2	1	
New Dextrose	37°	25	Acid 25	Acid ..	Acid 0
Litmus agar		32	spr.	9	1
Old Dextrose	37°	55	9	4	0
Litmus agar		spr.	4	3	1
New Litmus	37°	24	5	5	0
Lactose agar		19	3	3	0
Old Litmus	37°	22	3	1	2
Lactose agar		35	8	7	1
New Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.
Old Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.

SAMPLE A3.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1 :10,000	Dilution 1 :100,000	Dilution 1 :1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	63	8	spr.	
	20°	spr.	8	4	
		151	spr.	5	
		284	40	spr.	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	27	4	
	20°	39	16	8	
		315	30	6	
		spr.	34	5	
New Extract agar....	37°	27	3	0	
	20°	46	0	0	
		132	27	3	
		165	28	6	
Old Extract agar....	37°	30	4	3	
	20°	12	8	0	
		156	27	7	
		130	spr.	spr.	
New Casein agar.....	37°	74	11	2	
		56	2	0	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	43	9	44	
		55	5	8	
			Acid	Acid	Acid
New Litmus	37°	spr.	2	2	1
Dextrose agar		36	3	3	0
Old Litmus	37°	spr.	spr.	spr.	..
Dextrose agar		73	5	5	..
New Litmus	37°	79	9	7	0
Lactose agar		69	3	1	0
Old Litmus	37°	63	4	3	1
Lactose agar		49	14	14	0
New Bile	37°	4 neg.	4 neg.	4 neg.	2
	1 pos. 15 p. c.	1 pos. 5 p. c.	1 pos. 5 p. c.	1 pos. 5 p. c.	
Old Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	

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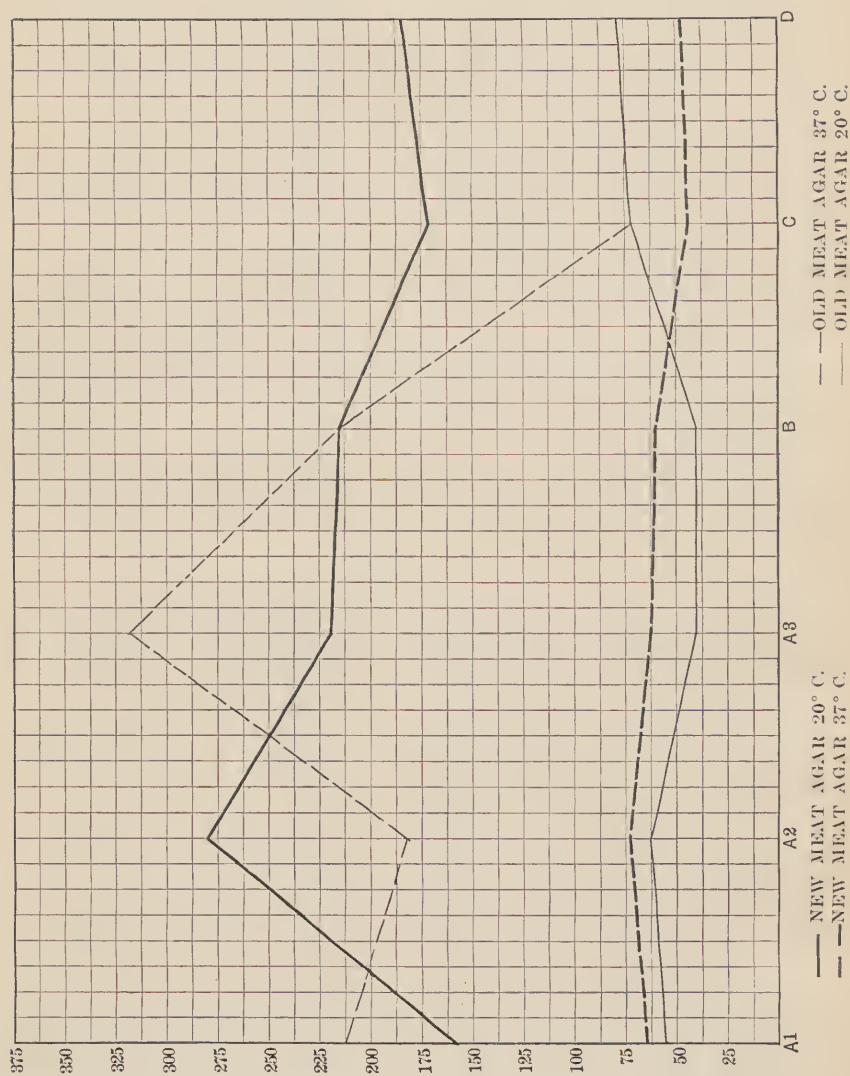
Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1 :10,000	Dilution 1 :100,000	Dilution 1 :1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	61	8	5	
	20°	60	7	4	
		215	25	spr.	
		spr.	30	spr.	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	spr.	1	
	20°	39	spr.	1	
		spr.	spr.	7	
		216	spr.	5	
New Extract agar....	37°	5	10	11	
	20°	8	6	10	
		140	23	1	
		156	16	6	
Old Extract agar....	37°	35	5	6	
	20°	19	44	3	
		141	24	7	
		135	26	7	
New Casein agar.....	37°	60	10	5	
		80	16	11	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	37	7	1	
		34	4	2	
			Acid	Acid	Acid
New Litmus	37°	47	7	2	0
Dextrose agar		56	4	4	1
Old Litmus	37°	32	6	6	0
Dextrose agar		54	5	5	0
New Litmus	37°		1	0	0
Lactose agar			2	0	0
Old Litmus	37°	23	1	1	0
Lactose agar		29	0	0	0
New Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	
Old Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.	

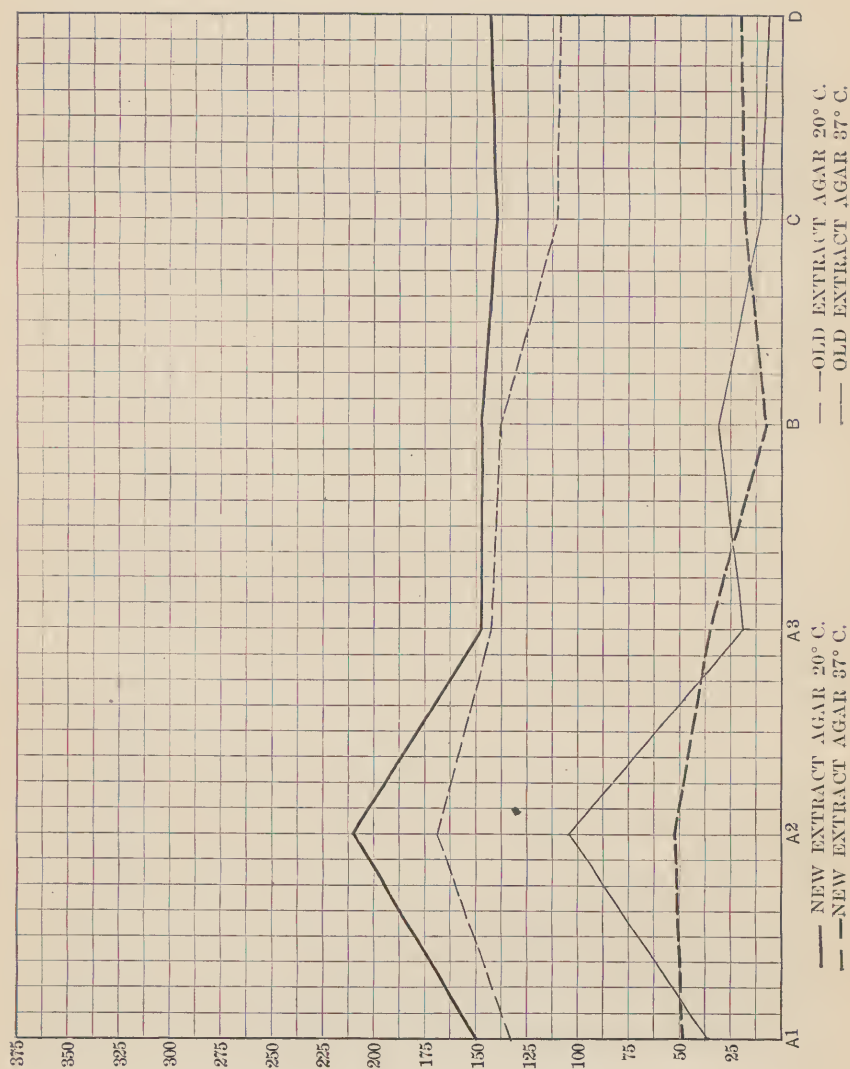
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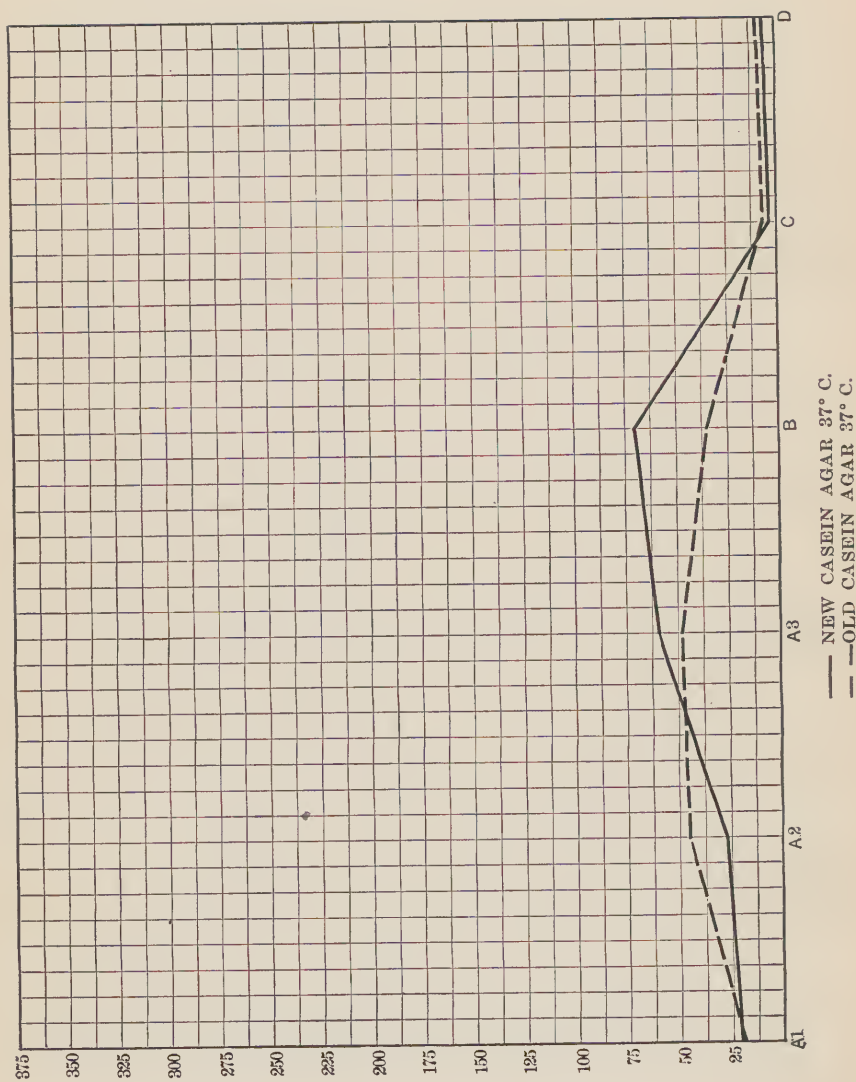
Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.		
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000
New Meat agar.....	37°	51	spr.	1
		66	spr.	0
	20°	175	19	1
Old Meat agar.....	37°	169	19	2
		73	2	0
	20°	71	6	1
New Extract agar....	37°	74	10	3
		66	7	0
	20°	20	6	0
Old Extract agar....	37°	17	4	0
		134	16	2
	20°	149	17	2
New Casein agar.....	37°	12	0	spr.
		9	3	2
	20°	112	16	1
Old Casein agar.....	37°	spr.	10	1
		5	4	3
	20°	7	4	1
New Litmus	37°	10	1	4
		5	6	2
		Acid	Acid	Acid
Dextrose agar		spr.	1	1
Old Litmus	37°	22	1	0
Dextrose agar		23	1	0
New Litmus	37°	20	0	spr.
Lactose agar		6	1	0
Old Litmus	37°	8	4	0
Lactose agar		12	10	0
New Bile	37°	12	11	1
Old Bile	37°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.

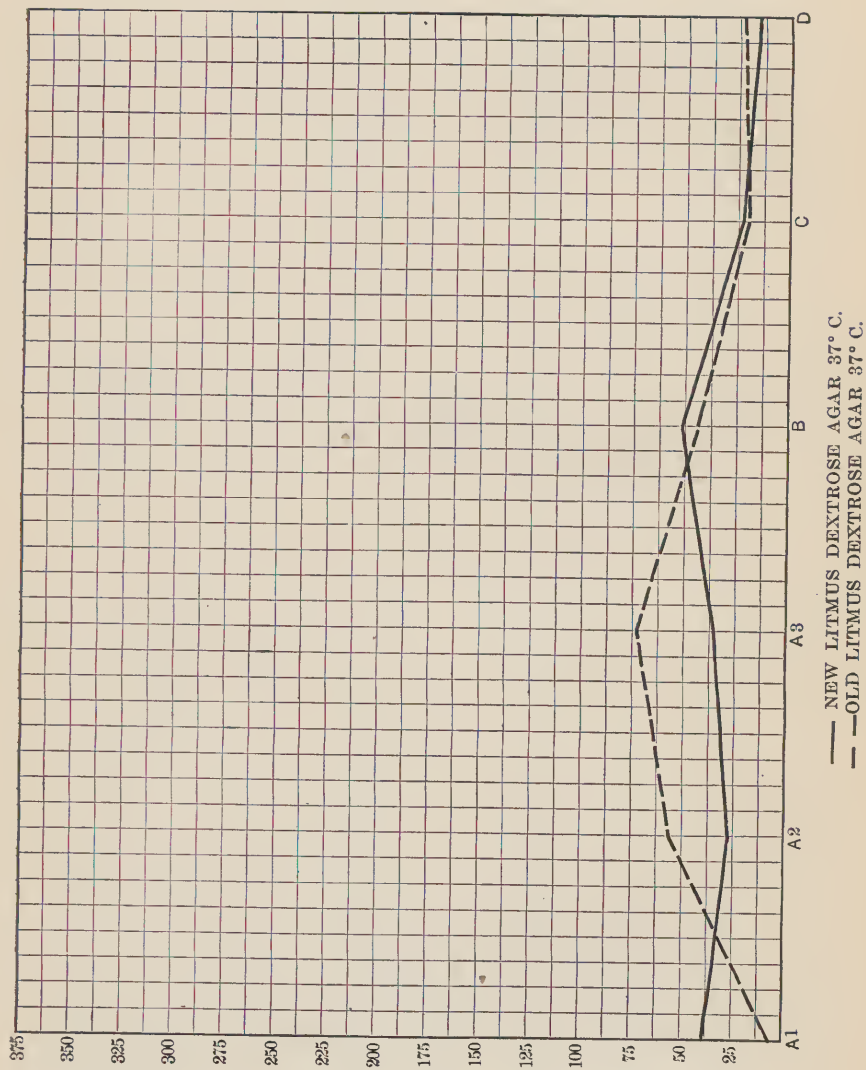
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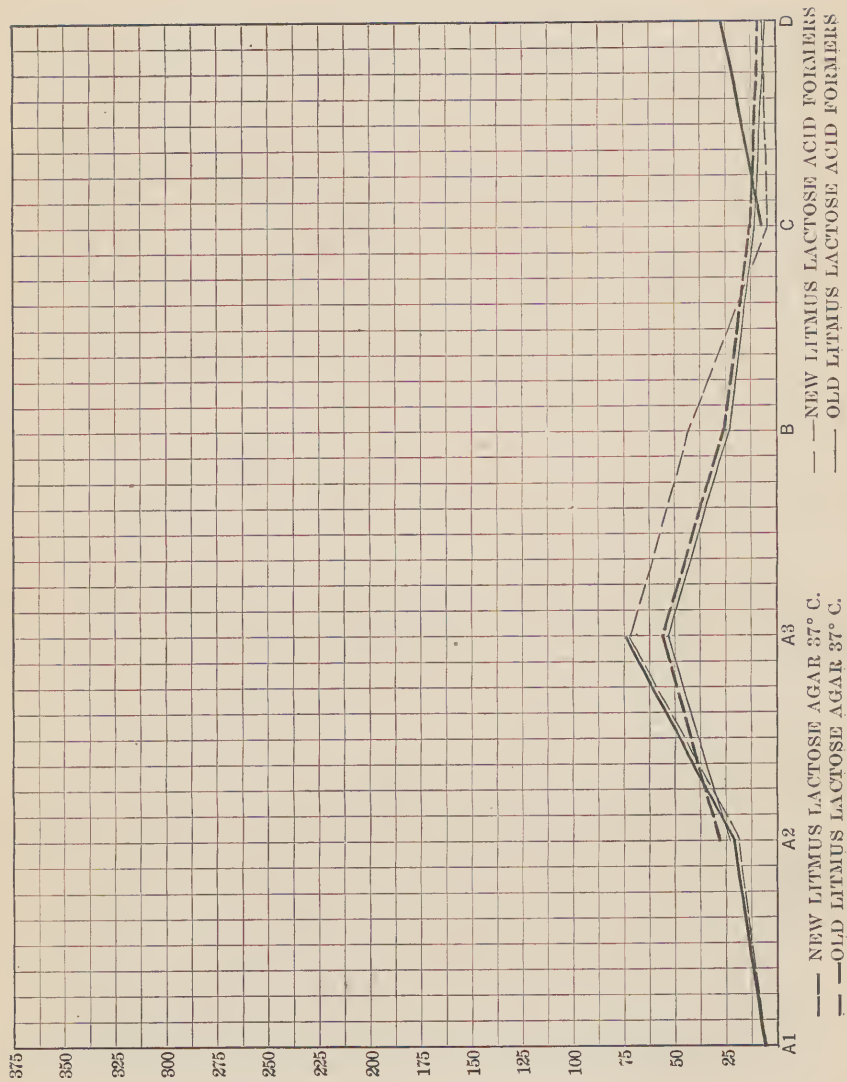
		Bacteria per c.c.		
Medium	Temp.	Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000
New Meat agar.....	37°	59	2	0
		spr.	2	1
	20°	199	19	1
Old Meat agar.....	37°	172	27	2
		spr.	6	1
	20°	82	spr.	2
New Extract agar.....	37°	spr.	spr.	3
		spr.	22	spr.
	20°	19	1	4
Old Extract agar.....	37°	20	7	0
		161	24	1
	20°	126	44	3
New Casein agar.....	37°	5	spr.	0
		12	0	1
	20°	99	10	2
Old Casein agar.....	37°	122	11	1
		11	5	5
	20°	5	8	2
New Litmus	37°	9	1	6
		11	1	5
	20°			
Dextrose agar	37°	16	Acid	Acid
		12	1	0
	20°	12	1	2
Old Litmus	37°	spr.	spr.	0
		22	0	spr.
	20°	spr.	3	0
Lactose agar	37°	27	0	0
		7	0	0
	20°	4	0	spr.
Old Litmus	37°	13	1 spr.	0
		9	5 neg.	5 neg.
	20°	5 neg.	5 neg.	5 neg.











EXAMINATION OF VANILLA ICE CREAM.

LOT 2, COMMERCIAL.

Determination of Effect of Different Media, Different Dilutions and Different Temperatures of Incubation on Numbers of Bacteria Found.

SAMPLE A1.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution	Dilution	Dilution	
		1:10,000	1:100,000	1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	1,360	233	13	
		2,148	253	spr.	
	20°	2,232	217	35	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	2,052	231	spr.	
		1,170	spr.	23	
	20°	1,800	199	19	
New Extract agar.....	37°	1,500	231	32	
		1,560	219	28	
	20°	1,125	102	15	
Old Extract agar.....	37°	1,060	34	17	
		1,058	191	27	
	20°	1,416	132	33	
New Casein agar.....	37°	1,788	90	18	
		900	108	19	
	20°	1,050	190	33	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	1,725	198	27	
		890	91	16	
	20°	1,530	70	14	
New Dextrose	37°	1,530	130	16	
		1,524	126	spr.	
	20°	Acid	Acid	Acid	
Lactose agar	37°	1,210	982	48	0
		960	90	85	0
	20°	890	120	115	0
Old Dextrose	37°	460	106	96	0
		685	spr.	..	0
	20°	760	92	88	0
New Litmus	37°	930	89	83	0
		spr.	107	95	3
	20°	0	0	0	0
Lactose agar	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
	20°	0	0	0	0
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
	20°	0	0	0	0

SAMPLE A2.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution	Dilution	Dilution	
		1:10,000	1:100,000	1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	2,004	285	43	
		2,115	285	28	
	20°	spr.	249	38	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	1,764	258	29	
		1,890	265	30	
	20°	2,240	261	31	
New Extract agar.....	37°	2,088	223	30	
		1,266	196	31	
	20°	1,212	
Old Extract agar.....	37°	1,308	151	17	
		1,550	214	28	
	20°	1,323	172	25	
New Casein agar.....	37°	1,590	212	29	
		1,174	..	30	
	20°	1,608	235	44	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	1,968	225	34	
		1,164	181	47	
	20°	988	170	22	
New Litmus	37°	1,468	172	10	
		912	211	13	
	20°	Acid	Acid	Acid	
Dextrose agar	37°	740	82	69	7
		530	59	53	..
	20°	1,140	111	93	..
Old Litmus	37°	spr.	76	64	..
		1,000	107	102	24
	20°	684	112	109	..
New Litmus	37°	780	106	86	20
		800	121	118	2
	20°	0	0	0	0
Lactose agar	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
	20°	0	0	0	0
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
	20°	0	0	0	0

SAMPLE A3.

Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	880	180	15	
		940	spr.	19	
	20°	1,827	247	45	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	1,974	248	38	
		1,020	192	8	
	20°	1,020	190	6	
New Extract agar.....	37°	2,418	242	42	
		2,289	247	spr.	
	20°	820	63	8	
Old Extract agar.....	37°	960	72	10	
		1,386	166	6	
	20°	1,197	166	29	
New Casein agar.....	37°	588	196	10	
		553	150	9	
	20°	990	168	19	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	1,056	208	26	
		780	260	21	
	20°	870	300	14	
New Dextrose	37°	900	120	12	
		840	110	13	
	20°				
Litmus agar	37°	spr.	Acid 839	Acid 115	Acid 6
		850	155	115	2
	20°	850	84	76	9
Old Dextrose	37°	1380	128	114	spr.
			75	70	13
	20°	910	146	129	18
New Litmus	37°	1210	spr.*	spr.	11
		900	115	104	18
	20°	660	85	81	1
Lactose agar	37°	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
	20°	0	0	0	
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
	20°	0	0	0	

* = alkaline.

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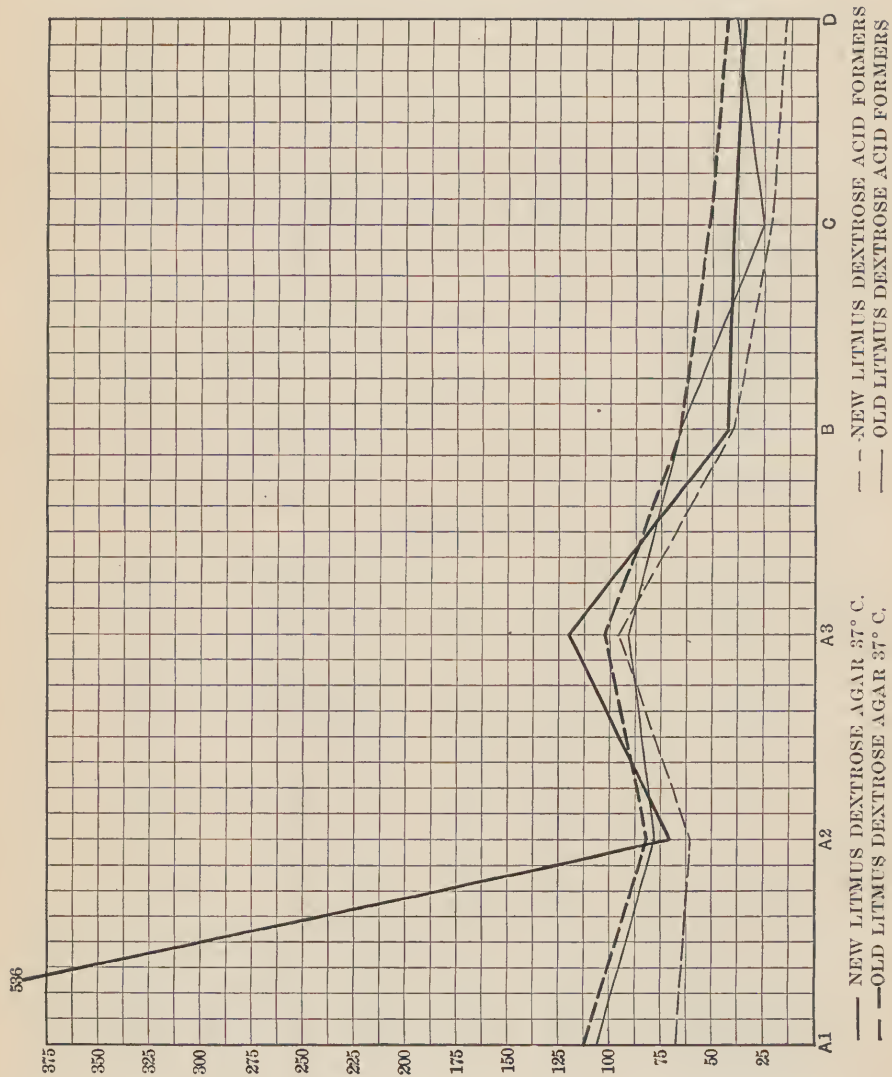
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		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	975	114	11	
		1,008	115	18	
	20°	1,890	205	22	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	1,915	205	30	
		spr.	134	18	
	20°	1,400	128	spr.	
New Extract agar.....	37°	1,575	233	30	
		1,512	202	39	
	20°	888	122	15	
Old Extract agar.....	37°	828	133	24	
		1,659	155	26	
	20°	1,228	204	19	
New Casein agar.....	37°	690	116	13	
		740	104	10	
	20°	693	174	23	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	1,449	186	16	
		1,080	146	43	
	20°	1,040	133	15	
New Litmus	37°	1,170	92	16	
		1,635	125	36	
	20°				
Dextrose agar	37°	spr.	Acid 49	Acid 48	Acid 6
		360	355	33	4
	20°	240	64	64	1
Old Litmus	37°	610	66	66	4
		700	63	58	10
	20°	760	76	70	1
New Litmus	37°	spr.	5	5	3
		490	62	57	10
	20°	0	0	0	9
Lactose agar	37°	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
	20°	0	0	0	
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
	20°	0	0	0	

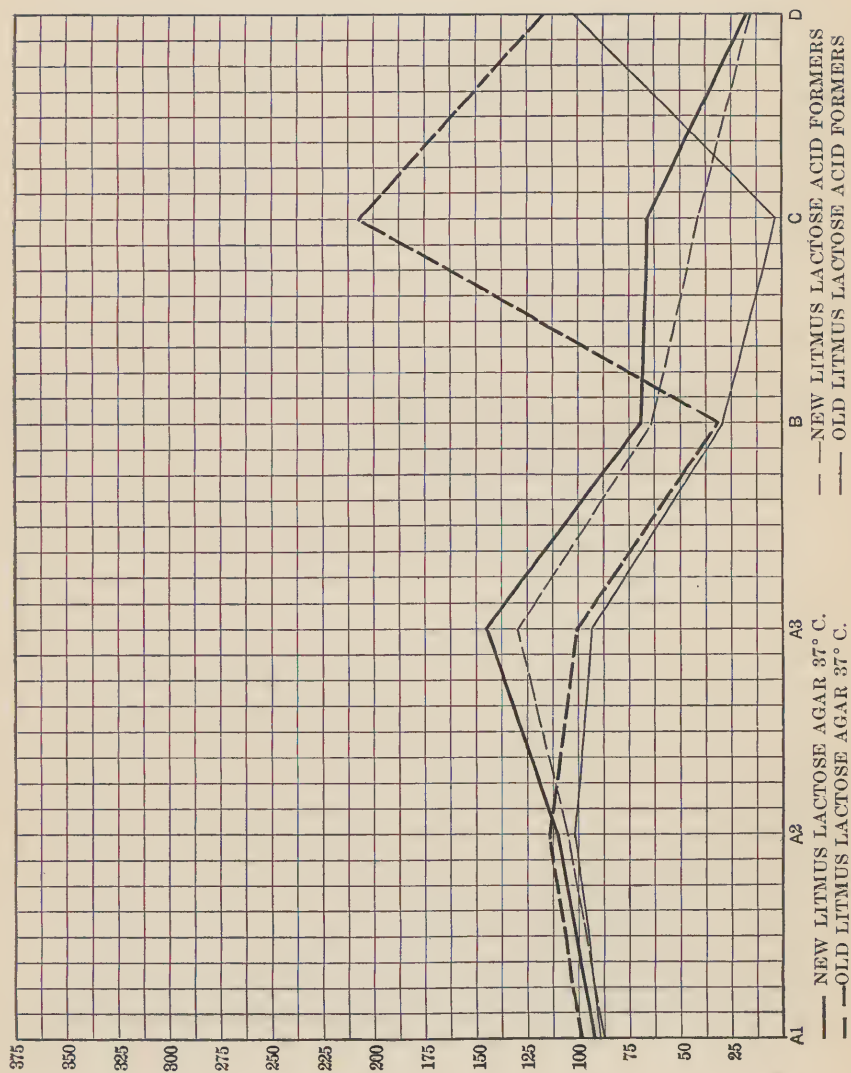
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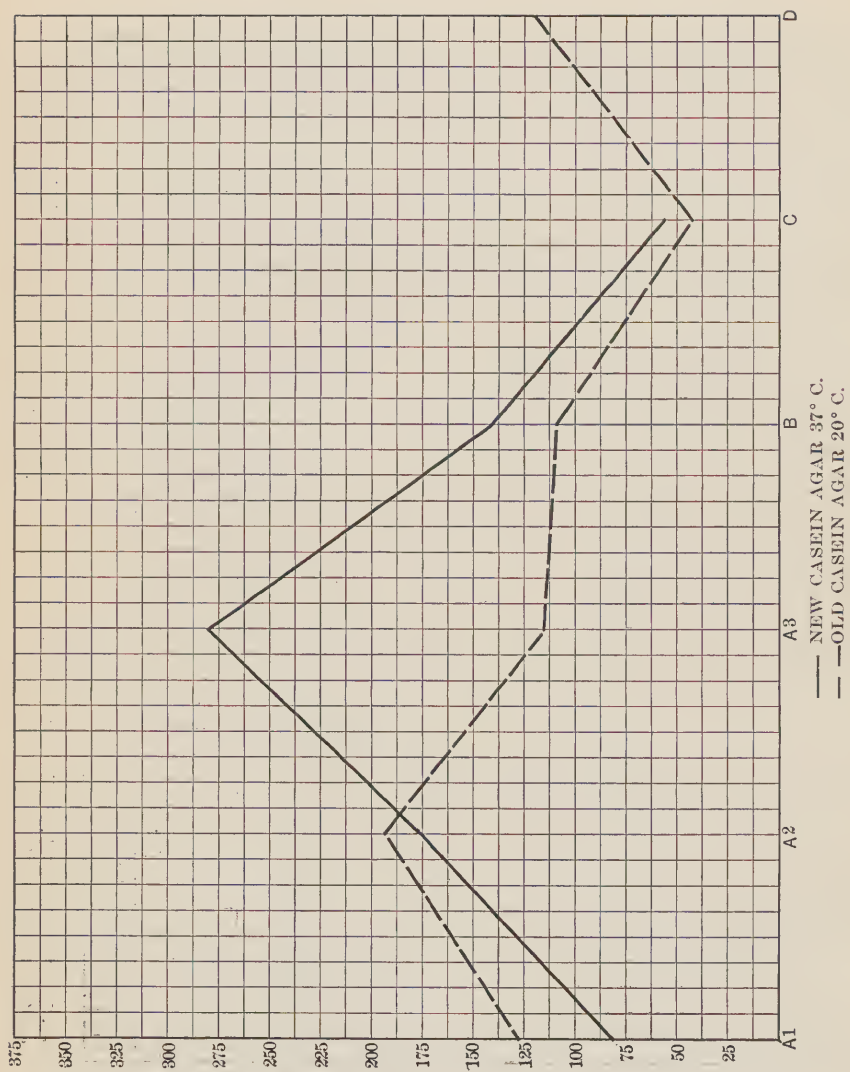
Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	500	75	3	
		spr.	spr.	11	
	20°	870	136	19	
		900	141	30	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	spr.	spr.	
		spr.	125	19	
	20°	1,150	150	23	
		660	spr.	23	
New Extract agar....	37°	spr.	34	13	
		500	22	33	
	20°	1,032	156	20	
		1,134	132	19	
Old Extract agar....	37°	202	32	213	
		480	22	7	
	20°	1,092	87	17	
		1,092	118	10	
New Casein agar.....	37°	220	54	28	
		560	61	21	
Old Casein agar.....	37°	340	49	6	
		400	34	8	
New Litmus	37°	427	Acid	Acid	Acid
Dextrose agar		417	spr.	4	1
Old Litmus	37°	160	5	21	1
Dextrose agar		spr.	34	28	alk.
New Litmus	37°	340	330	23	2
Lactose agar		378	338	54	2
Old Litmus	37°	spr.	56	30	1
Lactose agar		452	240	6	15
Lactose agar		850	845	1	7
New Bile	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0

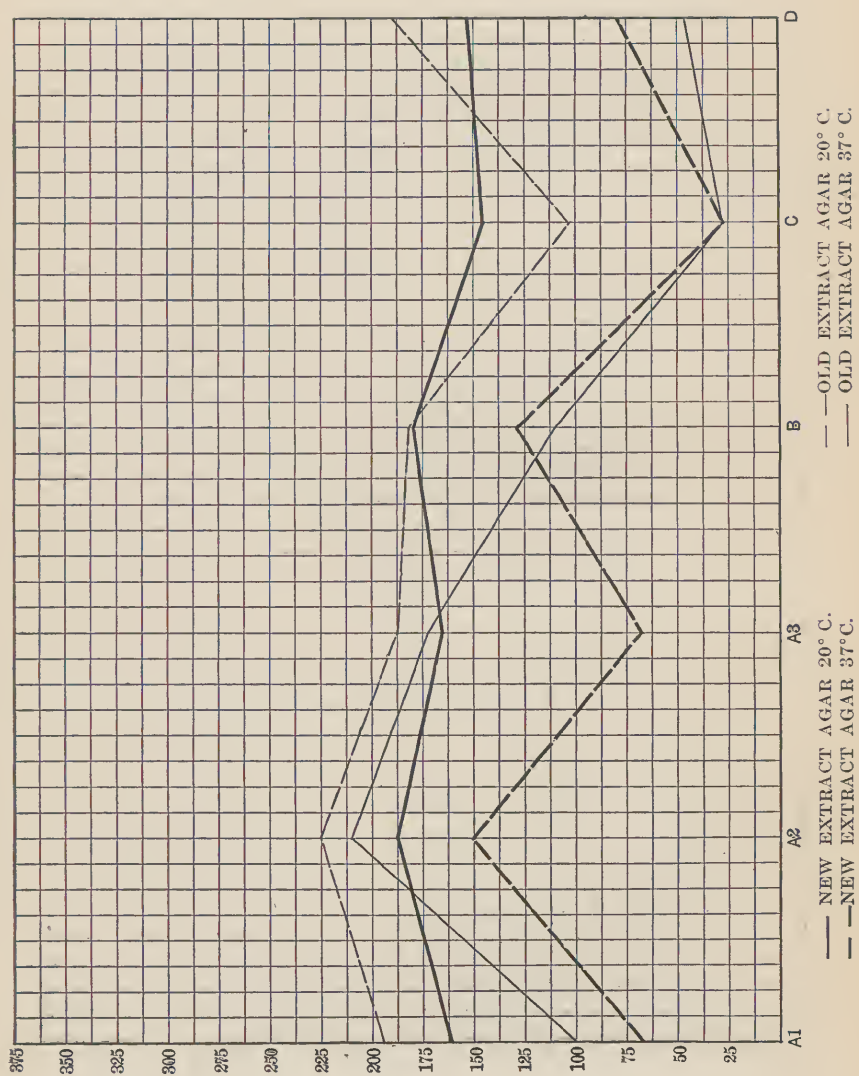
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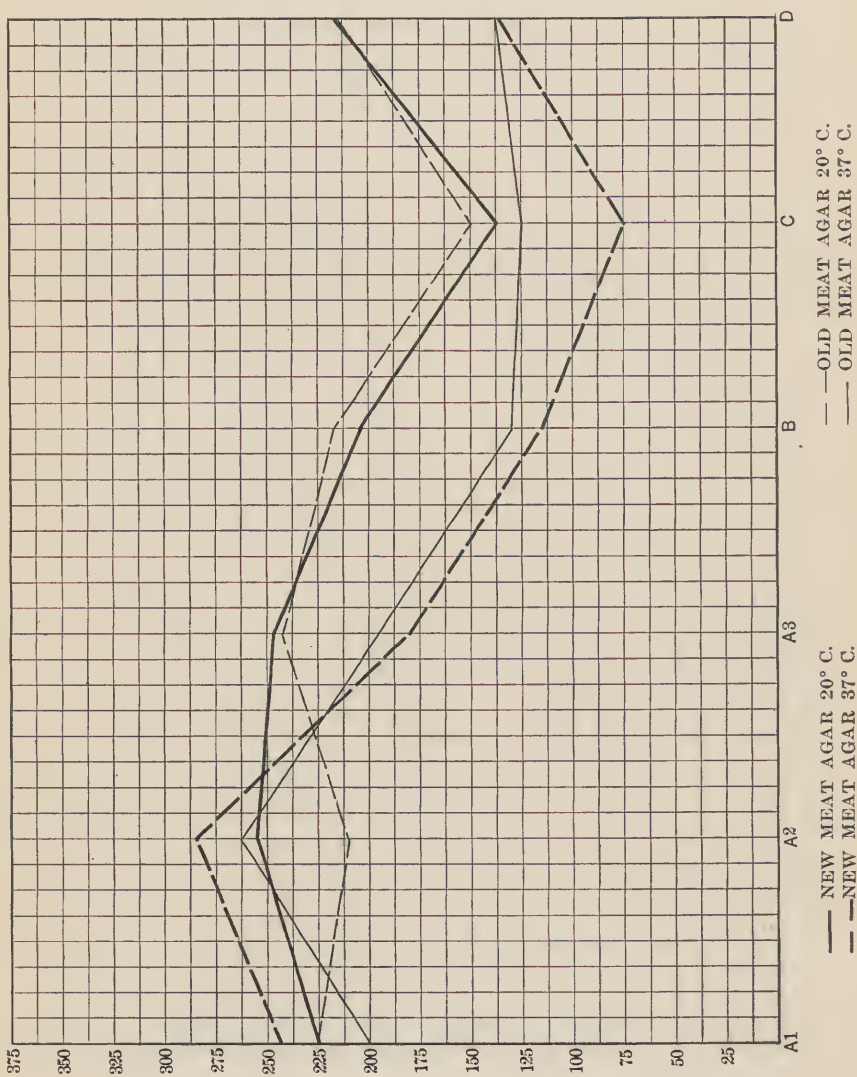
Medium	Temp.	Bacteria per c.c.			
		Dilution 1:10,000	Dilution 1:100,000	Dilution 1:1,000,000	
New Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	144	spr.	
		670	126	29	
	20°	1,530	182	41	
		1,920	231	46	
Old Meat agar.....	37°	spr.	142	spr.	
		824	133	spr.	
	20°	1,356	215	29	
		1,692	spr.	31	
New Extract agar....	37°	780	73	12	
		spr.	87	15	
	20°	1,092	160	34	
		1,548	146	38	
Old Extract agar.....	37°	209	spr.	47	
		240	spr.	48	
	20°	1,596	165	39	
		1,392	215	47	
New Casein agar.....	37°	not plated			
Old Casein agar.....	37°	1,392	103	26	
		696	139	21	
New Litmus	37°	1,300	Acid	Acid	Acid
Dextrose agar		1,080	34	14	4
Old Litmus	37°	1,180	spr.	6	4
Dextrose agar		970	35	34	spr.
New Litmus	37°	520	47	42	5
Lactose agar		1,270	12	10	33
Old Litmus	37°	650	23	22	8
Lactose agar		spr.	117	103	spr.
New Bile	37°	0	0	0	6
		0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
Old Bile	37°	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0











**Report on Ice Cream
Examinations**

P. G. HEINEMANN

REPORT ON ICE CREAM EXAMINATIONS MADE OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, 1913.

P. G. HEINEMANN.

Methods.

The ice cream was bought in gallon cans. The samples were taken as follows:—The paper covering the ice cream was removed and a small layer of ice cream removed from the surface with a sterilized spoon. Four samples were then taken with sterile spoons and the ice cream transferred to sterile petri dishes and allowed to melt at room temperature. A sample was then taken by boring with a sterile glass tube one inch below the surface. The glass tubes used for this purpose were sterilized in test tubes, and after the sample had been taken were replaced in the tubes and the ice cream melted. The test tubes were stoppered with cotton. By using glass tubes as before one sample was taken two inches from surface, one three inches from surface. After these samples were taken the whole column of ice cream was dumped on a piece of sterilized filter paper. Hot water was run on the outside of the can until the ice cream would slip out. After this one sample was taken about three-quarters towards the bottom and two near the bottom. All these were melted in the respective test tubes. Finally two lots of about one half pint each were placed in sterilized beakers and allowed to melt. All samples excepting the two samples in the beakers were liquefied completely before samples were placed in dilution flasks. The two lots in the beakers were allowed to stand long enough to melt the ice cream so that one cubic centimeter could be removed.

The samples were designated as follows:

A1—Sample from beaker.

A2—Sample from beaker.

B1—Teaspoonful from surface.

B2—Teaspoonful from surface.

B3—Teaspoonful from surface.

B4—Teaspoonful from surface.

C1—Bored from two inches below surface.

C2—Bored from three inches below surface.

C3—Bored three-quarters way down.

C4—Bored from surface, about one inch down.

C5—Bored from bottom.

C6—Bored from bottom.

One cubic centimeter of each sample respectively was transferred to a flask containing 99 cc. sterile water. From this dilution one cubic centimeter was transferred to another flask containing 99 cc. sterile water. This makes a dilution of 1:10,000. From this dilution 10 cc. were transferred to a flask containing 90 cc. sterile water. All flasks were of course thoroughly shaken and all usual bacteriological manipulations carried on in proper shape. From the two dilutions 1:10,000 and 1:100,000 each one cc. was transferred to each of four petri dishes. To two of each set of four petri dishes one cc. of 1% litmus solution was added. This litmus was added with as much care as possible to avoid the mixing of the bacterial dilution with the litmus solution, the latter having some restraining effect upon bacteria. Mixing was effected after addition of the liquified agar. Two of each set of four petri dishes were used for plain agar, the other two for dextrose-litmus-agar. Plain agar is the

method used by the Committee on Standard Milk Analysis of the American Public Health Association and by the Government experts. Dextrose-litmus-agar favors the multiplication of lactic streptococci, the dextrose being an almost needed pabulum and the litmus facilitating the counting, since lactic streptococci form red colonies in litmus. After the agar had hardened the plates were incubated at 37 degrees C. for two days, and then the colonies counted. A separate count was made on all dextrose-litmus-agar plates to be able to get a relation of the acid forming bacteria to the others. This is especially important, since ice cream manufacturers often allow the cream to stand, which permits the multiplication of these acid organisms, which are entirely harmless. Colon bacilli would also multiply to some extent this way.

Tables 1 to 6 give the detailed counts. All plates of 1:10,000 and of 1:100,000 were counted, the dextrose-litmus-agar plates were counted twice in order to get the acid colony count. The dilution of 1:100,000 was not satisfactory, being too high and consequently giving high counts. The dilution 1:10,000 was satisfactory throughout. In the tables all these counts are given for the sake of completeness, but only the six counts of each sample were considered being of value. These six counts then were:—Two duplicate agar plates, which were averaged in a separate column. Two duplicate dextrose-litmus-agar plates, which were averaged in a separate column. The acid colonies on the two dextrose-litmus-agar plates, which were averaged in a separate column and then the percentage of acid colonies to the total estimated. The first six tables are too voluminous to give a definite idea of the results. In table 7 the results are condensed and show the total numbers of the bacteria found in a clear fashion.

TABLE 1

EXAMINATION OF ICE CREAM, LOT 1, CATERER, OCTOBER 26. PRICE \$3.00.

EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count
A	Each sample = $\frac{1}{2}$ pint melted in sterile beaker.	1	10,000	DLA	1	250	210	200	175	45
					2	170		150		
					1	450	335			
					2	240				
					1	400	500			
			100,000	A	2	600		1,000	750	44
					1	1,800		500		
					2	1,600	1,700			
					1	800	725			
					2	650		500	450	39
		2	10,000	A	1	1,200	1,150	400		
					2	1,100				
					1	900				
					2	1,200	1,050			
					1	1,900		500		
B			100,000	DLA	2	2,300	2,100	800	650	31
					1	400				
					2	420	410			
					1	480		200	200	42
					2	spreader	480			
					1	700				
					2	500	600	400		
					1	900				
					2	700	800	300	350	44
					1	700				
	Each sample = one tea-spoonful taken from same place at surface.	2	10,000	A	2	800	750			
					1	1,300		300		
					2	1,700	1,500	400	350	23
					1	1,800		600		
					2	1,500	1,650	700	650	39
					1	180				
					2	210	195	50		
					1	450		40	45	11
					2	380	415			
					1	800	750			
		3	100,000	A	2	700		200	200	22
					1	900	900			
					2	spreader				
					1	120				
					2	90	105			
					1	320		150		
					2	360	340	150	150	44
					1	400				
					2	500	450			
					1	700		300		
					2	800	750	300	300	40

C

SAMPLES TAKEN FROM DIFFERENT PARTS:

2 inches below surface.	1	10,000	A	1	270	300				
				2	330		300			
		100,000	DLA	1	820	790		300	38	
				2	760					
		10,000	A	1	500	600				
				2	900	800	400	50		
		100,000	DLA	1	700		400			
				2	650	745				
		3 inches below surface.	2	10,000	A	1	1,600		200	
						2	1,300	1,450	300	17
100,000	DLA			1	700					
				2	800	750				
10,000	A			1	900	850	200			
				2	960		200	24		
100,000	DLA			1	780	870				
				2	1,800		400			
About ¾ ways down.	3			10,000	A	1	1,500	1,650	300	
						2	1,900			
		100,000	A	1	2,500	2,200				
				2	3,200		1,200	28		
		10,000	DLA	1	2,100	2,650	300			
				2	900	800				
		100,000	DLA	1	1,800		1,000			
				2	1,900	1,850	1,200	62		
		From bottom.	5	10,000	A	1	spreaders			
						2	spreaders			
100,000	DLA			1	spreaders					
				2	360					
10,000	A			1	380	370				
				2	750					
100,000	DLA			1	900	770	200			
				2	500	700				
From bottom.	6			10,000	A	1	spreaders			
						2	1,040			
		100,000	DLA	1	900	870				
				2	1,160					
		10,000	A	1	1,700	1,430	280			
				2	1,200		1,100	49		
		100,000	A	1	1,900	1,550				
				2	3,200		800			
		10,000	DLA	1	1,200	2,200	1,000			
				2			1,200	45		

TABLE 2

EXAMINATION OF LOT 2, COMMERCIAL ICE CREAM, OCTOBER 25, 1913.

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EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count	
	Each sample = ½ pint melted in sterile beaker.	1	10,000	A	1	2,500	2,150	all	all	100	
					2	1,800					
					1	7,500					
			100,000	DLA	1	6,500	7,000	all	all	100	
					2	2,800					
					1	2,400					
			10,000	DLA	1	8,400	8,800	8,000	5,000	74	
					2	1,800					
					1	2,000					
					1	6,900					
			100,000	DLA	1	6,400	6,650	all	all	100	
					2	1,100					
					1	1,400					
					2	2,900					
		2	100,000	A	1	1,400	1,250	1,000	1,200	35	
					2	2,900					
					1	3,400					
				10,000	DLA	1	1,900	2,150	all	all	100
						2	2,400				
						1	9,500				
		2				8,500					
		100,000		A	1	3,500	3,200	5,000	4,500	53	
					2	2,900					
				10,000	DLA	1	8,700	8,900	2,800	all	75
						2	9,100				
			1			2,000					
			100,000	A	1	3,600	2,800	all	1,500	80	
					2	3,750					
1	2,500										
		3	10,000	DLA	1	2,800	2,850	all	3,800	100	
					2	2,900					
					1	5,600					
			100,000	DLA	1	4,300	4,950	all	3,800	80	
					2	2,900					
					1	2,500					
			10,000	A	1	9,200	2,700	all	all	100	
					2	8,500					
					1	8,500					
					2	1,100					
			100,000	DLA	1	1,100	1,100	800	800	50	
					2	1,750					
				10,000	A	1	1,750	2,650	5,700	all	75
						2	2,800				
1	2,500										
100,000	DLA	1		7,600	8,050	7,350	8,500	50			
		2		8,500							
		1		6,100							
		4	100,000	A	1	8,600	19,000	8,500	19,000	50	
					2	8,600					
					1	19,000					
				100,000	DLA	1	19,000	19,000	8,500	19,000	50
						2	8,600				
						1	19,000				
		2				8,600					
				100,000	DLA	1	19,000	19,000	8,500	19,000	50
						2	8,600				
						1	19,000				
				100,000	DLA	1	19,000	19,000	8,500	19,000	50
			2			8,600					
			1			19,000					

C	2 inches below surface.	1	10,000	A	1	1,700	1,800	1,100	1,300	52
				DLA	1	1,900	2,500	1,500		
			100,000	A	2	2,900	3,300	all		100
				DLA	1	2,800	8,700	all		
			10,000	A	2	8,100	1,250	all		100
				DLA	1	1,300	6,950	all		
			100,000	A	2	7,800	2,450	5,000		68
				DLA	1	2,200	8,050	5,800		
			10,000	A	2	2,700	2,700	all		100
				DLA	1	2,800	8,100	all		
			100,000	A	2	9,800	3,900	all		100
				DLA	1	3,300	9,650	all		
			10,000	A	2	4,500	2,850	4,500		75
				DLA	1	11,000	8,950	all		
			100,000	A	2	8,400	4,350	all		100
				DLA	1	9,500	9,650	all		
			10,000	A	2	3,500	4,550	all		100
				DLA	1	5,200	10,200	all		
			100,000	A	2	9,800	10,500	12,000		69
				DLA	1	9,200	14,500	8,000		
			10,000	A	2	8,000	2,500	all		100
				DLA	1	13,000	5,500	all		
			100,000	A	2	14,000	2,900	all		100
				DLA	1	15,000	8,200	all		
			10,000	A	2	2,600	2,900	all		100
				DLA	1	6,900	8,200	all		
			100,000	A	2	4,200	2,900	all		
				DLA	1	2,200	8,200	all		
			10,000	A	2	2,600	8,200	all		
				DLA	1	7,500	8,200	all		
			100,000	A	2	8,900	8,200	all		
				DLA	1					

SAMPLES TAKEN FROM DIFFERENT PARTS:

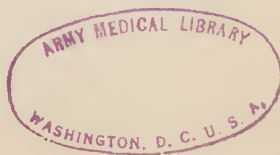


TABLE 3

EXAMINATIONS OF LOT 3, COMMERCIAL ICE CREAM, OCTOBER 24, 1913.

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EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count
A	Each sample = ½ pint melted in sterile beaker.	1	10,000	A	1	240	270			
					2	300				
					1	700		100		15
					2	700	675	100		
					1	300				
		2	100,000	A	1	200	250			
					2	400		none		0
					1	500	450	none		
					2	270				
					1	300	285			
B	Each sample = one tea-spoonful taken from same place at surface.	1	10,000	A	1	190	175	300	275	50
					2	160		250		
					1	600	550			
					2	500				
					1	400	300			
		2	100,000	A	1	200		200		50
					2	400	400	200		
					1	410				
					2	370	390			
					1	2,240		1,800		82
		3	100,000	A	1	3,250	2,700	2,650	2,220	
					2	720				
					1	580	650			
					2	1,180		all		
					1	2,300	1,740	all	all	100
		4	10,000	A	1	290				
					2	250	270			
					1	460		200		39
					2	370	415	120	160	
					1	600	550			
		5	100,000	A	1	1,100		550		
					2	1,800	1,450	550		
					1	800				
					2	900	850	400	475	33
					1	3,900				
		6	10,000	A	1	3,100	3,500	2,200	2,050	59
					2	200		1,900		
					1	300	250			
					2	400		300		
					1	700	550	400	350	64

SAMPLES TAKEN FROM DIFFERENT PARTS:

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TABLE 4 EXAMINATIONS OF LOT 4, COMMERCIAL VANILLA ICE CREAM, OCTOBER 23, 1913. PRICE \$1.25.

EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count
A	Kind of Sample	1	10,000	A	1	9,920	8,850			
					2	7,800		all	all	100
					1	22,000	20,000	all		
					2	18,000		all		
					1	12,000				
					2	8,000	10,000	all		
	Each sample = 1/2 pint melted in sterile beaker, taken when Sample enough melted.	2	100,000	DLA	1	21,000	19,500	all	all	100
					2	18,000		all		
					1	5,840	6,480			
					2	7,120		all	all	100
					1	16,000		all		
					2	23,000	19,500	all	all	100
					1	6,000				
					2	8,000	7,000			
					1	25,000		17,000		79
					2	28,500	26,500	25,000	21,000	
B	Each sample = one teaspoonful taken from same place at surface.	1	10,000	A	1	10,300	11,500			
					2	12,000		all		
					1	33,000	33,300	all	all	100
					2	33,600				
					1	11,000	11,000			
					2	11,000		all		
	2		100,000	A	1	39,000	44,500	all	all	100
					2	50,000		all		
					1	9,200	11,000			
					2	13,000		all	all	100
					1	24,000	25,000	all		
					2	26,000				
					1	14,000	12,000			
					2	10,000	42,500	all	all	100
	3		100,000	DLA	1	40,000	44,700	all	all	100
					2	45,000		all		
					1	43,000	47,000	all	all	100
					2	46,400		all		
					1	48,000	47,000	all		
					2	46,000				
C	4		100,000	A	1	45,000	46,500	all	all	100
					2	58,000		all		
					1	48,000	57,000	all	all	100
					2	56,000				
					1	41,000	41,500	all	all	100
					2	42,000		all		
	5		10,000	DLA	1	59,000	55,000	all	all	100
					2	59,000		all		
					1	60,000	55,000	all	all	100
					2	50,000		all		
					1	55,000	60,000	all	all	100
					2	65,000				
					1		60,000		all	100
					2					

EXAMINATION OF LOT 5, COMMERCIAL STRAWBERRY ICE CREAM, NOVEMBER 7, 1913. PRICE \$1.25.

EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1,000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count
		1	10,000	A	1	950	850			
					2	750				
					1	980	900	900	900	80
					2	spreaders				
					1	700				
					2	800	750			
			100,000	A	1	900				
					2	1,100	1,000	300	600	60
					1	650				
			10,000	A	1	720	685	650		
					2	850		800		
					1	900	875	725		
					2	500	600			
			100,000	A	1	1,000		800	800	80
					2	spreaders	1,000			
					1	800				
					2	650	725	750	625	68
					1	850	900	500		
					2	950				
			100,000	A	1	900	850			
					2	800		700	700	88
					1	800	800			
					2	880				
			10,000	A	1	750	815	400	550	54
					2	1,200	1,050	700		
					1	900				
					2	800	950			
			100,000	A	1	1,100		1,300	1,300	100
					2	1,300				
					1	spreaders				
					2	1,300	1,200	1,000	1,000	91
			10,000	A	1	1,100				
					2	1,100	1,100			
					1	1,100				
					2	spreaders	1,100	1,000		
			100,000	A	1	1,500	1,300			
					2	1,100				
					1	1,800		1,500	1,500	83
					2	spreaders				
					1	950				
			10,000	A	1	800	875	800	750	75
					2	900	925	700		
					1	950				
					2	1,100	1,200	1,200		
			100,000	A	1	1,300				
					2	1,500	1,650	1,500	1,350	82
					1	1,800				
B										
					1	800				
			10,000	A	2	650	725	750	625	68
					1	850	900	500		
					2	950				
			100,000	A	1	900	850			
					2	800		700	700	88
					1	800	800			
					2	880				
			10,000	A	1	750	815	400	550	54
					2	1,200	1,050	700		
					1	900				
					2	800	950			
			100,000	A	1	1,100		1,300	1,300	100
					2	1,300				
					1	spreaders				
					2	1,300	1,200	1,000	1,000	91
			10,000	A	1	1,100				
					2	1,100	1,100			
					1	1,100				
					2	spreaders	1,100	1,000		
			100,000	A	1	1,500	1,300			
					2	1,100				
					1	1,800		1,500	1,500	83
					2	spreaders				
					1	950				
			10,000	A	1	800	875	800	750	75
					2	900	925	700		
					1	950				
					2	1,100	1,200	1,200		
			100,000	A	1	1,300				
					2	1,500	1,650	1,500	1,350	82
					1	1,800				

Each sample = one tea-spoonful from same place at surface.

C

SAMPLES TAKEN FROM DIFFERENT PARTS:

2 inches below surface.	1	10,000	A	1	950	1,025	1,200	1,100	85
				1	1,100		1,000		
				1	1,400	1,300			
				1	1,200				
		100,000	A	1	1,300	1,100			
				1	900				
				1	spreaders				
				1	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	100
3 inches below surface.	2	10,000	A	1	900	1,050	900		
				1	1,200		1,000	950	95
				1	920	1,020			
				1	1,100				
		100,000	A	1	1,200	1,500	1,500		
				1	1,800		1,500		
				1	2,000	1,900			
				1	820				
About $\frac{3}{4}$ way down.	3	10,000	A	1	930	875	1,100	1,050	90
				1	1,100		1,000		
				1	1,200	1,150			
				1	1,700				
		100,000	A	1	900	800	800	1,000	74
				1	1,200		1,200		
				1	1,500	1,350			
				1	1,200				
		10,000	A	1	1,050	1,125	1,300	1,250	86
				1	1,300		1,200		
				1	1,600	1,450			
				1	1,200				
		100,000	A	1	1,300	1,250	1,200	1,150	77
				1	1,600		1,100		
				1	1,400	1,500			
				1	600				
		10,000	A	1	550	575	700	700	85
				1	800		700		
				1	850	825			
				1	1,200				
		100,000	A	1	1,400	1,300	1,500	1,500	100
				1	spreaders				
				1	1,500	1,500			
				1	700				
		10,000	A	1	850	775	1,500	1,200	90
				1	1,600		900		
				1	1,050	1,325			
				1	1,300				
		100,000	A	1	1,400	1,350	1,400	1,200	92
				1	1,400		1,000		
				1	1,200	1,300			
				1	DLA				

TABLE 6 EXAMINATION OF VANILLA ICE CREAM, LOT 6, COMMERCIAL, NOVEMBER 9, 1913. PRICE \$1.25.

EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1,000.

A	Kind of Sample	No.	Dilution	Kind Med.	Plate No.	Colony count	Average count	Acid col. count	Average acid count	Per cent. acid col. count	
	Each sample = ½ pint melted in sterile beaker.	1	10,000	A	1	460	470	700	680	100	
					2	480					
					1	700					
					2	660					
					1	500					
		2	100,000	A	1	1,100	800	400	550	45	
					2	1,200					
					1	1,000					
					2	2,400					
					1	1,200					
		2	10,000	A	1	4,200	1,700	4,200	3,600	95	
					2	3,600					
					1	5,000					
					2	7,000					
					1	10,000					
B		DLA	2	spreaders	10,000	8,000	8,000	80			
			1	780	840	920	940	100			
			2	900							
			1	10,000		1	920	940	960		
						2	960				
						1	600				
						2	900				
						1	1,000		800	1,250	93
			2	10,000		2	1,700				
						1	540	690	1,400	1,210	100
						2	840				
						1	1,400				
						2	1,020				
						1	400		1,100	1,500	100
			3	100,000		2	700				
						1	1,100	1,500	1,900	1,500	100
						2	1,900				
						1	700				
						2	800		800	650	80
						1	900				
		4	100,000	A	2	740	820	500	450	60	
					1	500					
					2	600		500	450	60	
					1	800					
					2	480	750	400	450	60	
		5	10,000	A	1	540					
					2	1,200		1,200	1,050	91	
					1	1,100					
					2	500	1,150	900	1,050	91	
					1	600					
					2	700		400	500	67	
					1	800					
					2	DLA	750	400	500		

Each sample = one tea-spoonful from same place at surface.

SAMPLES TAKEN FROM DIFFERENT PARTS:

2 inches below surface.	1	10,000	A	1	350	370	350	350	83
			DLA	2	390	420			
		100,000	A	1	420				
				1	300	350	500	450	70
3 inches below surface.	2	10,000	DLA	1	700	650	500	400	
				2	600	375	520	540	100
		100,000	A	1	350		560		
			DLA	2	520	540			
About $\frac{3}{4}$ way down.	3	10,000	A	1	300	150	300	400	89
			DLA	2	200	450	500		
		100,000	A	1	500	290	410	390	100
			DLA	2	380	390	370		
Just below surface.	4	10,000	A	1	700	650	800	800	100
			DLA	2	600	800	800		
		100,000	A	1	210	190	350	315	100
			DLA	2	170	315	280		
From bottom.	5	10,000	A	1	200	200	200	400	60
			DLA	2	500	650	600		
		100,000	A	1	800	415	740	620	95
			DLA	2	450	650	500		
From bottom.	6	10,000	A	1	740	1,000	800	650	65
			DLA	2	560	350	900	850	100
		100,000	A	1	600	700	800		
			DLA	2	1,200	1,000	1,200	1,000	100

TABLE 7
CONDENSED TABLE OF RESULTS.

EXPLANATION—A stands for plain agar, DLA for dextrose-litmus-agar. All figures should be multiplied by 1,000.

Sample	Medium	ICE CREAM SAMPLE:											
		1		2		3		4		5		6	
		Count	% acid	Count	% acid	Count	% acid	Count	% acid	Count	% acid	Count	% acid
A	1	210	45	2,150	100	270	15	8,850	100	850	89	470	100
		395		7,000		675		20,000		980		680	
		725		1,900		285		6,480		685		1,700	
B	2	1,130	39	6,650	100	450	75	19,500	100	875	90	3,900	95
		410		2,150		175		11,500		725		840	
		480		9,000		550		33,300		900		940	
C	3	750	23	2,800	75	390	82	11,000	100	815	54	690	100
		1,500		3,100		2,700		25,000		1,050		1,210	
		195		2,700		270		44,700		1,200		730	
D	4	415	11	8,850	100	415	39	47,000	100	1,000	91	820	80
		105		2,800		850		41,500		875		510	
		340		8,850		3,500		55,000		925		1,150	
E	5	300	38	1,800	52	140	93	6,500	100	1,025	85	370	83
		790		2,500		580		25,500		1,300		420	
		745		1,250		425		7,000		1,050		375	
F	6	1,450	17	6,950	100	2,700	81	30,000	100	1,020	95	540	100
		870		2,700		170		9,100		875		290	
		1,650		8,100		800		23,800		1,150		390	
G	7	800	22	2,850	100	850	62	37,200	100	1,125	90	190	100
		1,850		8,950		2,000		37,500		1,450		315	
		570		4,550		600		8,600		575		415	
H	8	770	26	10,200	100	750	88	22,500	100	825	85	650	95
		870		2,500		370		6,600		775		350	
		1,430		5,500		775		17,900		1,325		850	

Sample A 1 and sample A 2 represent the amount liquefied ice cream from one-half pint in a sterile beaker. One cc was taken as soon as a sufficient amount was melted.

Sample B—All four samples were taken with sterile teaspoons from the same place at the surface, after scraping a thin layer off.

Sample C—All "C" samples were taken with sterile glass tubes by boring into the ice cream.

1 was taken 2 inches below surface.

2 was taken 3 inches below surface.

3 was taken about three-quarters down from surface.

4 was the first boring from surface.

5 and 6 were taken from the bottom.

Sample	Plain agar	Dextrose-tymus-agar	Per cent. acid colonics
1	530,000	1,020,000	35
2	2,510,000	7,140,000	92
3	400,000	1,225,000	66
4	14,230,000	23,810,000	100
5	881,000	1,106,000	83
6	579,000	989,000	95

C AVERAGES ACCORDING TO PART OF GALLON SAMPLE WAS TAKEN.

All figures to be multiplied by 1,000.

		ICE CREAM SAMPLE NUMBER :							
		1	2	3	4	5	6	Average	Ratio
Melted in beaker.	Med. A	468	2,025	277	7,665	767	2,170	2,227	11
	D.L.A.	773	6,825	563	19,150	927	2,290	5,188	26
From surface.	A	365	2,575	421	27,175	904	697	5,356	27
	D.L.A.	684	7,250	1,791	40,750	994	1,030	8,750	44
2 in. below surface.	A	300	1,800	140	6,500	1,025	370	1,689	8
	D.L.A.	790	2,900	580	23,500	1,300	420	5,082	28
3 in. below surface.	A	745	1,250	425	7,000	1,050	375	1,807	9
	D.L.A.	1,450	6,950	2,700	30,000	1,020	540	7,110	35
$\frac{3}{4}$ th ways down.	A	870	2,700	170	9,100	875	290	2,334	12
	D.L.A.	1,650	8,100	800	23,800	1,150	390	5,982	30
Just below surface.	A	800	2,850	850	9,200	1,125	190	2,502	12
	D.L.A.	1,850	8,950	2,000	37,500	1,450	315	8,677	43
From bottom.	A	620	3,525	485	7,600	675	500	2,234	11
	D.L.A.	1,100	7,750	762	21,100	1,100	675	5,277	26

TABLE 7A

RELATION OF NUMBERS OF LACTIC ACID STREPTOCOCCI TO AMOUNT OF ACID PRODUCED UNDER DIFFERENT TEMPERATURE CONDITIONS.

Per cent. acid is expressed in lactic acid. All numbers should be multiplied by 1,000.

Kind of Milk	Temp.	Incub. period	Colony Count			Per cent. Lact. acid	Remarks
			Plain agar	Dext.-lit.-agar	Per cent. acid col.		
Raw Milk	37° C	fresh	36	160	94	0.12	Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey.
		1 day	238,000	359,000	100	0.59	
		2	272,000	432,000	100	0.63	
		3	289,000	361,000	100	0.67	
		4	268,000	401,000	100	0.69	
		5		spreaders		1.24	
Raw Milk	21° C	fresh	36	160	94	1.52	Turning. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey.
		1 day	156,000	185,000	100	0.12	
		2	252,000	270,000	100	0.26	
		3	480,000	820,000	100	0.54	
		4	350,000	730,000	100	0.68	
		5		spreaders		0.74	
Raw Milk	7° C	fresh	36	160	94	0.76	Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey. Sour, curd and whey.
		1 day	117,000	195,000	49	0.78	
		2	54	170	94	0.12	
		3	55	256	100	0.12	
		4	150	190	100	0.12	
		5	4,100	10,100	100	0.12	
		6	6,500	7,400	100	0.14	
		7	15,000	31,000	45	0.15	
		8	22,000	29,000	47	0.16	
Raw Cream	37° C	fresh	28	175	100	0.20	Bitter taste. Bitter taste. Very bitter. Very bitter. Sour, homog. curd. Sour, homog. curd.
		1 day	485,000	1,285,000	100	0.24	
		2	595,000	1,300,000	100	0.71	
		3	44,000	65,000	22	0.73	
		4	54,000	68,000	21	1.02	
		5		spreaders		1.18	
Raw Cream	21° C	fresh	28	175	100	1.40	Sour, very thick. Sour, very thick. Sour, very thick. Sour, very thick. Sour, very thick. Sour, very thick.
		1 day	66,000	85,000	00	1.61	
		2	55,000	156,000	100	0.12	
		3	135,000	350,000	100	0.26	
		4	210,000	390,000	85	0.65	
		5	270,000	380,000	80	0.67	
Raw Cream	21° C	6	250,000	410,000	75	0.69	
		7	310,000	460,000	80	0.67	
		8				0.72	
		9				0.72	

Raw Cream	7° C	fresh	28	175	100	0.12	No change.
		1 day	38	214	100	0.12	No change.
		2	290	1,050	100	0.12	No change.
		3	4,100	7,300	71	0.13	No change.
		4	8,500	11,300	91	0.15	No change.
		5	26,500	29,000	100	0.16	No change.
		6	36,000	58,000	39	0.18	No change.
		7	23,000	41,000	100	0.26	No change.
		8	37,000	42,000	000	0.30	Turning.
		9	85,000	120,000	000	0.34	Bitter.
Sterile Milk	37° C	fresh	9	26	100	0.12	Sour, curd.
		1 day	199,200	220,000	100	0.51	Sour, curd.
		2	250,000	240,000	100	0.63	Sour, curd.
		3	213,000	317,000	100	0.66	Sour, curd.
		4		spreaders	100	0.69	Sour, curd.
		5	224,000	339,000	100	0.99	Sour, curd.
Sterile Milk	21° C	fresh	9	26	100	0.12	Sour, light curd.
		1 day	162,000	202,000	100	0.29	Sour, curd.
		2	288,000	353,000	100	0.32	Sour, curd.
		3	310,000	680,000	100	0.66	Sour, curd.
		4	380,000	640,000	100	0.72	Sour, curd.
		5		spreaders	100	0.73	Sour, curd.
Sterile Milk	7° C	fresh	9	26	100	0.12	No change.
		1 day	1,700	2,500	100	0.16	No change.
		2	16,000	21,000	100	0.17	No change.
		3	19,000	32,000	100	0.18	No change.
		4	25,000	36,000	100	0.19	No change.
		5	32,000	59,000	100	0.20	No change.
		6	35,000	43,000	100	0.20	No change.
		7	72,000	117,000	100	0.23	No change.
		8	78,000	160,000	100	0.27	No change.

RELATION OF NUMBERS OF LACTIC ACID STREPTOCOCCI TO AMOUNT OF ACID PRODUCED UNDER DIFFERENT TEMPERATURE CONDITIONS.

The numbers in the table include all bacteria in the samples of raw milk and raw cream, excepting under the column "acid colonies." In sterilized milk the numbers are streptococci only. All flasks were inoculated with a pure culture of lactic streptococci. Counts were made immediately after inoculation and after that at intervals of 24 hours. One set of flasks was kept at 7° C., another set at 21° C. and the third set at 37° C.

Titration was made daily with 1-20th N.NaOH to determine the degree of acid developed. The results are expressed in per cent. LACTIC ACID.

Table 7a shows a relation of acid colonies to total numbers. In a general way it can be stated that the higher the total count, the higher the proportion of acid formers. The highest count in sample 4 of 29,810,000 bacteria per cc. all the colonies appeared to be acid colonies. No doubt there were some others, but the acid formation by the large number of acid forming bacteria was so great that other bacteria could not counteract the influence. No doubt, if a much larger number of samples could have been examined the figures would be smoother and clearer. This also applies to table 7. Here all samples were averaged according to the part of the original of ice cream the sample was taken from. In the last column a ratio was computed, which brings all the figures into a simple relation. This ratio indicated that samples B1 to 4 contained the largest numbers of bacteria. These samples were from the surface. Next in number are the samples taken one inch from the surface (C4). Next in line is the number taken three-quarters way down. Why this should be high I have no explanation to offer. Larger numbers of samples would, no doubt, clear up such points. There is also the fact that the most expensive ice cream had small numbers, although some of the cheaper ones were low. In fact sample 6, which cost \$1.25, was the lowest.

The counts on dextrose-litmus-agar were always much higher than on plain agar.

Report On Tests of the Relation of Lactic Acid Produced by Streptococcus Lacticus to Numbers of Bacteria and the Relation of Numbers of Bacteria to Taste and Appearance.

Nine flasks (1 liter Erlenmeyer) were sterilized. Into three flasks were placed 400 cc. certified raw milk, into three 400 cc. certified raw cream, and into the last three 400 cc. certified milk were placed and these last three sterilized in the autoclave for fifteen minutes at two atmospheres pressure. All flasks were inoculated with dex-

trose broth cultures of a strain of *Streptococcus lacticus*. This streptococcus was isolated for this work from ice cream. This fact must be borne in mind as it may have influenced the results to some extent. Immediately after inoculation plates were prepared in plain agar and in dextrose-litmus-agar in dilutions of 1:1000 to determine the number of streptococci inoculated. The incubation temperatures were 37° C., 21° C. and 7° C. One flask with raw milk, one with raw cream and one with sterilized milk placed at each of the three temperatures. Daily tests were made as follows:—

1. The taste and appearance.
2. The acidity was determined by titrating 5 cc. of the inoculated milk or cream, diluted to 50 cc. with distilled water, against one-twentieth normal sodium hydrate solution. The degree of acidity was then calculated in per cent. lactic acid.
3. Plates in duplicates were made in plain agar, and dextrose-litmus-agar the same as with the ice cream excepting that dilutions had to be carried to 1:10,000,000. Six counts were made of these plates after forty-eight hours.

It should be stated here that the colonies formed by this particular strain of *Str. lacticus* were exceptionally small, so that the agar plates showed a relatively low count and undoubtedly the counts on dextrose-litmus-agar were frequently not as high as they should be. Here also the counts averaged much higher in dextrose-litmus-agar than on plain agar.

Table 7a (See pages 60-61), shows the results in detail.

The figures represent the averages of the duplicate plates, the percentage of acid colonies and the percentage of acid expressed in lactic acid.

At 37° acid formed so rapidly that in twenty-four hours the cream and milk in all cases was curdled. The curd in the sterile milk was smooth and homogeneous, in the

raw milk and cream there was considerable whey. The raw milk at 21° was beginning to show signs of turning after twenty-four hours and contained 185 million bacteria in DLA. The raw cream was still sweet after twenty-four hours, but had curdled after forty-eight hours. It was sweet in spite of the 156 million bacteria after twenty-four hours. The sterile milk was curdled after forty-eight hours. After twenty-four hours it was turning with indications of curd formation (small flakes), and contained 202 million of bacteria. At 7% the souring process and curdling were slow. In the raw milk there was no decided acid taste after nine days, and the bacteria numbered 52 million. A bitter taste had developed. In the raw cream after eight days it seemed to be turning, although the taste was rather bitter than sour. After nine days the taste was decidedly bitter and the bacteria numbered 120 millions. In the sterilized milk the taste was not decidedly sour, and there were no indications of curdling after eight days in spite of 160 millions acid forming bacteria.

To make the results of this more striking I have plotted the results in curves in tables 9, *a*, *b* and *c*, and in 10, *a*, and *c*. Here also I feel that the curves would be smoother and better if a large series of tests were made and with different strains of lactic streptococci.

Table 9a—(See page 66.) Raw milk at 37°. The numbers of bacteria are highest after two days, after which there is a falling off. The acidity, however, continues to rise. Several explanations are possible for this. Acid is produced by an enzym, and therefore, will continue even after the bacteria have been removed or decrease. Thirty-seven degrees is a temperature at which such enzymes act more powerfully and more rapidly than at lower temperatures. There is the other explanation which accounts for acid formation in the *apparent* absence of bacteria. *Streptococcus lacticus*

multiplies only to a certain point. The so-called high acid forming bacilli then produce more lactic acid, *but these bacteria cannot be demonstrated on ordinary media*. It is also possible that this particular strain of *Str. lacticus* dies sooner than some other strains. In raw milk at 21° the curves are similar to those at 37°, the numbers are higher, but the acidity is lower. High acid formers multiply but slowly at this temperature, so that the acid naturally would be less and enzymes also act slower. At 7° the curves are low and practically parallel. (See page 67.)

Table 9b—The sudden rise in numbers of bacteria in cream at 37° is enormous. The curves at 21° are even, and at 7° low. At 21° the numbers and the amount of acid are nearly parallel. (See page 67.)

Table 9c—At 7° the respective curves remain parallel. There is no great divergence at either 21° or at 37°. As we are dealing here with pure cultures of the streptococcus, no complicating factors arise through the presence of other bacteria.

Table 10a. (See page 69.)—This table shows the relative curves of the three KINDS of flasks at the same temperature. Cream has the greatest number of bacteria, milk next and sterile milk the smallest. The acid formation is highest in milk, next in cream and smallest in sterile milk.

Table 10b. (See page 70.)—The acid curves in all three kinds are very consistent. In raw milk there is a decided drop in numbers, in the cream the numbers are relatively small, but are in good accord with the acid formation in the sterile milk.

Table 10c. (See page 71.)—The curves are low and smooth.

TABLE 9A

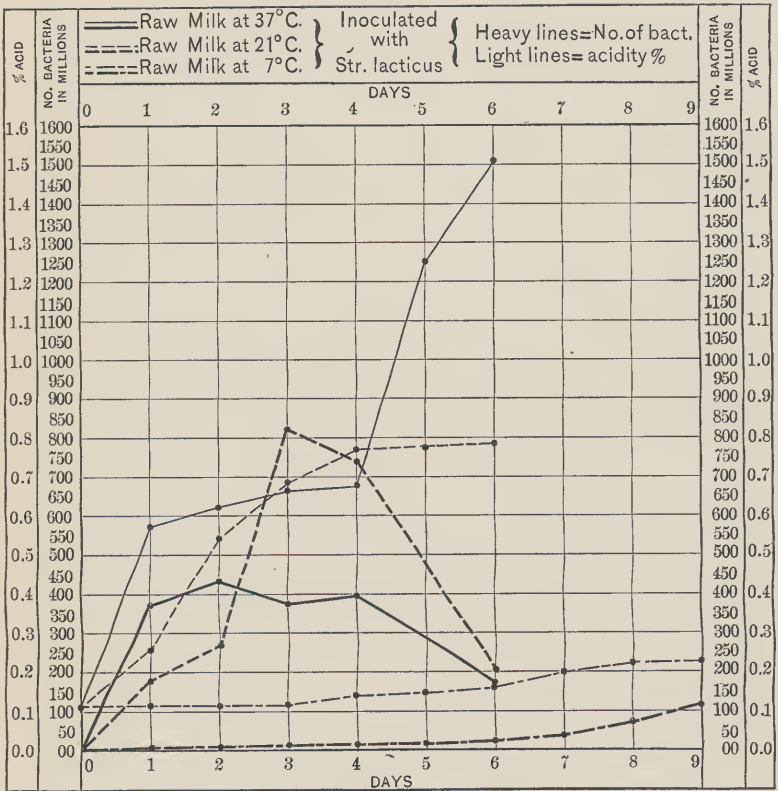


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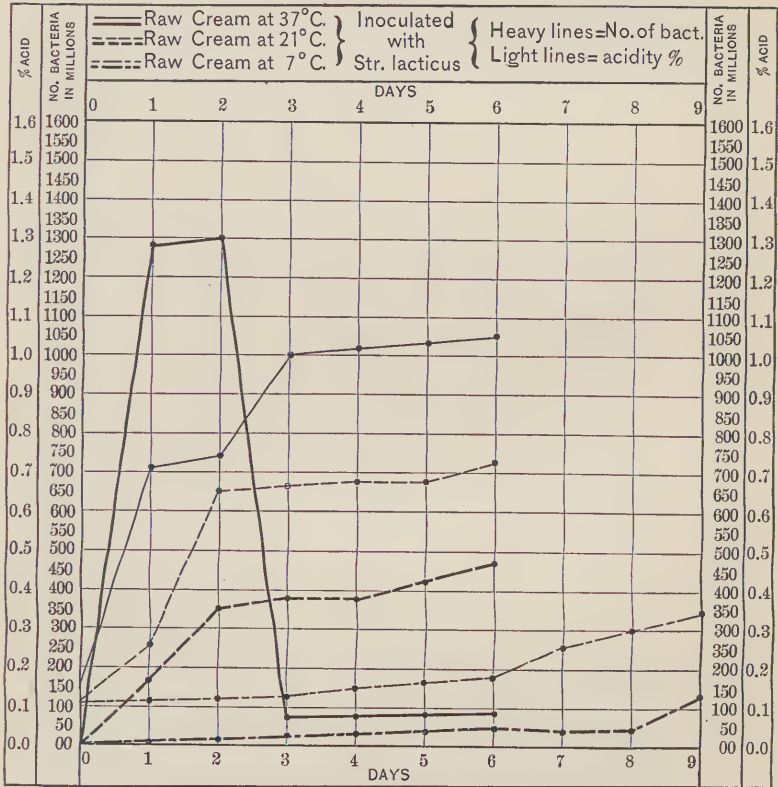


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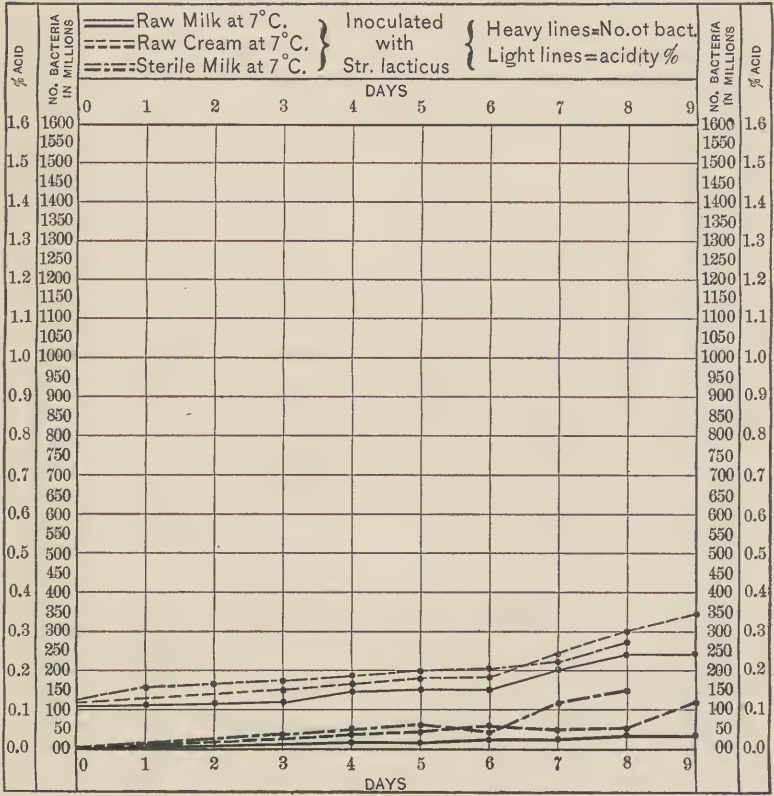


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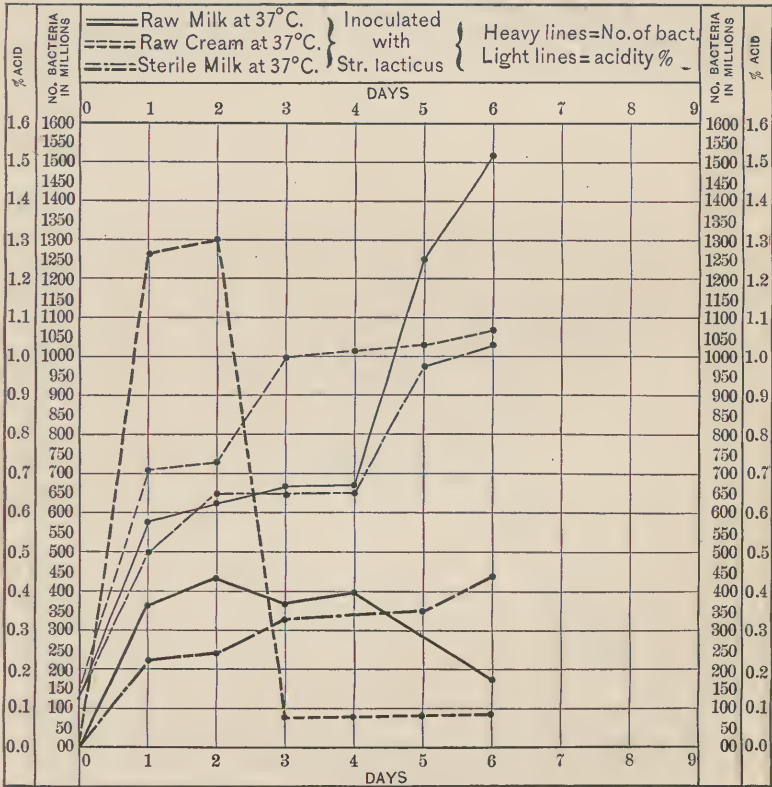


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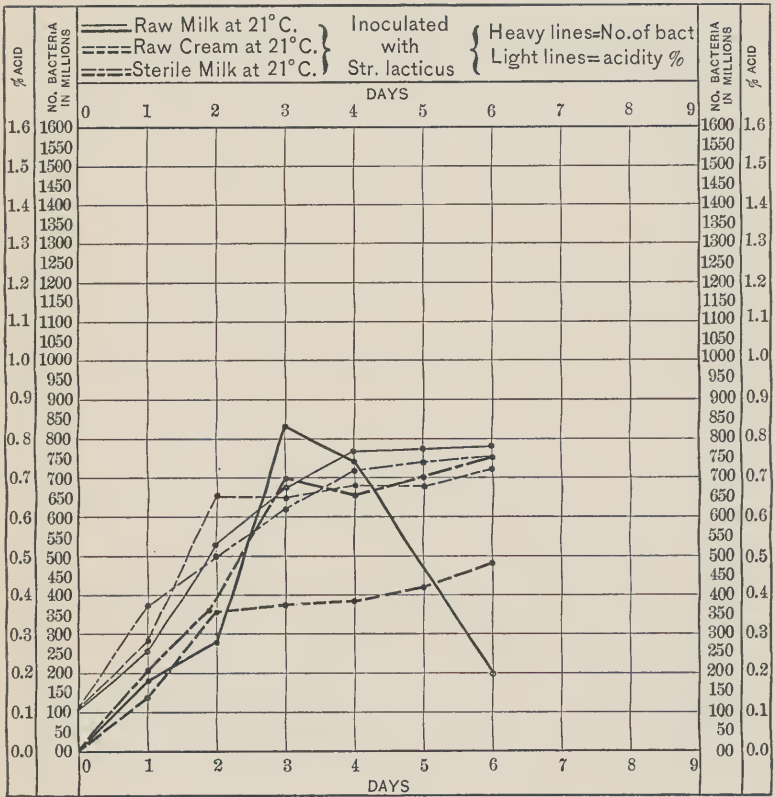
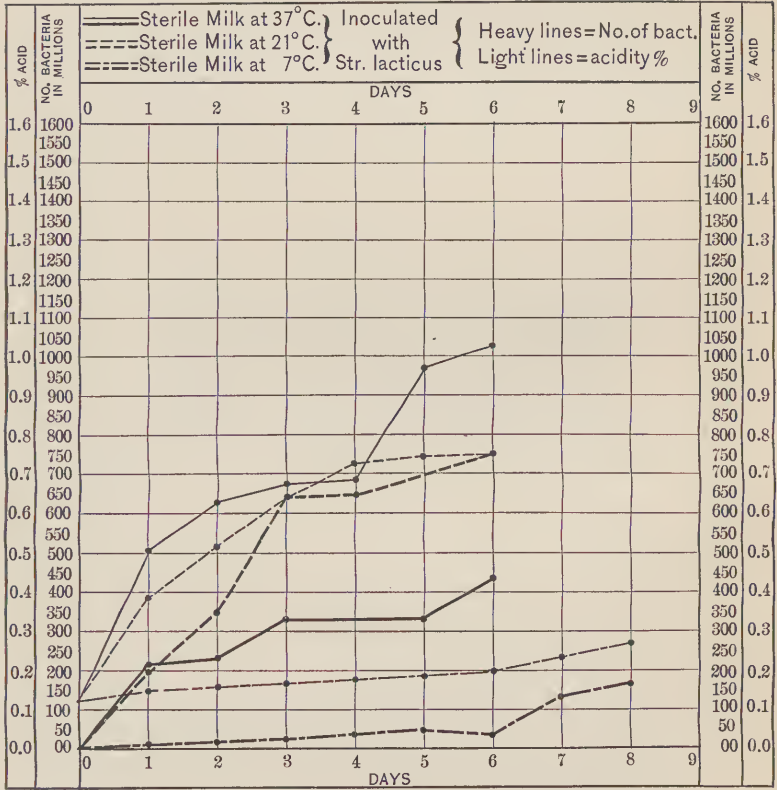


TABLE 10c



**Reports Concerning the Sig-
nificance of Bacterial Counts
and Bacillus Coli Tests**

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REPORTS OF BACTERIOLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS
CONCERNING THE SIGNIFICANCE OF BACTERIAL
COUNTS AND BACILLUS COLI TESTS
OF INDIVIDUAL LOTS OF MARKET ICE
CREAM, REFERRED TO AND PRESENTED
IN PART AT THE HEARING.

By H. D. PEASE, M. D.

Report in the matter of the examination of samples of vanilla and chocolate ice cream purchased from a Commercial Ice Cream Company, New York City, October 22, 1913, and of one sample of Commercial strawberry ice cream, purchased January 31, 1914.

Technique.

Source of Sample. A one gallon can of Vanilla Ice Cream made by a Commercial Ice Cream Company and marked October 22nd, was delivered by them to the Lederle Laboratories.

Method of Taking Samples. Sterile teaspoons were used in digging out the samples and transferring them to sterile 2-oz. and 4-oz. glass stoppered bottles.

Twenty-five to 30 gram samples were taken except in the case of Experiment No. 4. The sample bottles were chilled in ice and salt previous to the taking of the samples. Immediately after taking each sample the bottle was covered with ice and salt so that the ice cream remained frozen until the individual sample was removed from the ice and salt for examination.

Method of Melting Sample Before Examination. A water bath held at 30°C. was used for this purpose.

As soon as the sample was melted it was shaken and allowed to rest for one minute before sampling unless otherwise stated.

Media. 9 liters of Standard Beef Extract Agar were made at one time. Previous to sterilization in the autoclave for 15 minutes at 20 lbs. pressure the agar was

divided among 36 8-oz. flasks. All plates in this series of experiments were poured from this lot of agar.

Dilution Bottles and Water. The bottles used were 4-oz. Philadelphia ovals filled by automatic burettes to contain 99 c.c. of water after sterilization, in the autoclave, 25 minutes at 20 lbs. pressure, and 1-oz. Philadelphia ovals filled in the same manner to contain 9 c.c. of water after the same process of sterilization. The dilution water used contained in all cases 0.5% commercial sodium chloride.

Pipettes. The 1 c.c. pipettes were in all cases straight sided pipettes of even bore and a uniform blunt point. The capacity pipettes were graduated by one mark to contain 1 c.c. of water. The volumetric pipettes were graduated by one mark to deliver 1 c.c. of water.

In reading the amount of liquid in the pipette, care was taken that the end of the pipette rested on the side of the bottle above the sample or dilution in order not to carry over an extra drop of the sample or dilution.

Petri Dishes. 10 x 1½ c.m. sterilized by dry heat at 180°C. for 1½ hours were used for all bacterial counts.

Method of Making Dilutions and Plating. In each case unless otherwise stated the sample of ice cream was measured by a 1 c.c. capacity pipette and the pipette washed out in the dilution water.

The method of dilution was as follows:

1 c.c. of sample	to 99 c.c. dilution bottle	= 1:100
1 c.c. of 1:100	to 9 c.c. dilution bottle	= 1:1000
1 c.c. of 1:100	to 99 c.c. dilution bottle	= 1:10000
1 c.c. of 1:10000	to 9 c.c. dilution bottle	= 1:100000
1 c.c. of 1:10000	to 99 c.c. dilution bottle	= 1:1000000

Transfers for higher dilutions were made before 1 c.c. was transferred to the petri dish.

Litmus Lactose Agar Plates. 1 c.c. of a 10% solution of lactose and ½ c.c. of a 1% solution of azolitmin were

added to each plate before inoculation with 1 c.c. of the diluted sample.

Test for Bacteria of the B. coli Type. Durham fermentation tubes were used. The outside tube was 6" x $\frac{7}{8}$ ", the inside tube 3" x $\frac{3}{8}$ ". The lactose-peptone-bile was made by adding 1% lactose and 1% peptone to fresh ox-bile which had been previously boiled and filtered.

Twelve hundred fermentation tubes were prepared at one time from one lot of bile. Inoculated tubes were incubated 72 hours at 37°C. At the end of each 24-hour period the percentage of gas was recorded. From the two highest dilutions showing gas at the end of 48 hours, litmus-lactose-agar plates were made by transferring one 3 mm. loopful to a 9 c.c. dilution bottle and one 3 mm. loopful from this dilution to a plate containing lactose and azolitmin as described above.

After 24 hours at 37°C. isolations of characteristic colonies were made on lactose agar slants. After 24 hours at 37°C. the growth on the slants were used for the inoculation of tubes containing Durham's peptone solution and nitrate solution. A stab culture was made in the lactose agar slant and in a tube of infusion gelatine. The inoculated peptone solution, nitrate solution and lactose agar stab were incubated 4 days at 37°C.

The peptone solution was tested for the presence of indol by the addition of $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of a paradimethylamido-benzaldehyde solution.

The nitrate solution was tested for the presence of nitrites by the addition of $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of a sulphanilic acid solution and $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of a naphthylamine acetate solution.

The presence of gas in the lactose agar stab was also noted as a control on the isolation.

The gelatine stabs were incubated 10 days at 20°C. and the presence of liquefaction noted.

Bacterial Counts. All plates were counted as far as possible. In reporting the bacterial counts averages were

made in cases where the bacterial counts exceed 20 and less than 500 colonies to the plate. The number reported was not in accordance with the standard method of reporting bacterial milk counts.

Outline of Experiments.

Experiment No. 1. Test of same location (see results reported under A, B, C, D, E and F).

Six samples were taken from as near the same location as possible at a point about 3 inches below the top and at the middle of the can.

Experiment No. 2. Test of separate location.

Six samples reported under G, H, I, J, K, L, were taken as follows:

G—top-side.

H—top-middle.

I—center-side.

J—center-middle.

K—bottom-side.

L—bottom-middle.

Experiment No. 3. Test of triplicate dilutions made from same sample.

The samples taken under Experiment No. 1 were diluted in triplicate and are reported under A₁ A₂ A₃—F₁ F₂ F₃.

Experiment No. 4. Test of the evenness of melting.

Six samples of about 70 c.c. were taken in 4-oz. chemical salt mouth bottles from the side of the can from top to bottom. Each sample was allowed to melt at room temperature (74°F.) for two minutes and the melted portion sampled with a 1 c.c. capacity pipette. These results are reported under M, N, O, P, Q, R.

Experiment No. 5. Test of method of measuring sample for dilution.

Six samples were taken from the same locality at a point immediately surrounding the place where the six samples were taken for Experiment No. 1.

VANILLA ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 1 AND NO. 3 COMBINED.

Six samples (A, B, C, D, E, F) taken from the same location; about three inches from the top and middle of the can.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Sample No.	Colony Count 37°—2 days					Colony Count 20°-5 da.	% Acid Count B.E. Agar	Litmus-lactose-agar			Gas Production				Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Indol	Nitrate	Gelatine
	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total L.L. Agar	Acid	Inert	Alkal.		Alkal.			Dilution	24	48	72				
A1	10,000	3,880	1,880	1,620	260		86.3				100	Tr.	15	20				
	100,000	2,200	800	600	200		73.0				1,000	Tr.	20	20				
	1,000,000	3,000									10,000	Tr.	20	20				
A2	10,000	2,100	1,470	1,170	270		79.5	30			100	Tr.	15	20				
	100,000	2,800	1,000	700	300		70.0				1,000	Tr.	20	30				
	1,000,000										10,000	Tr.	Tr.	2				
A3	10,000	2,870	1,910	1,180	720		61.7	10			100	Tr.	20	30				
	100,000	2,000	1,800	1,400	300		77.0	100			1,000	Tr.	15	25				
	1,000,000	2,000									10,000							
B1	10,000	2,540	1,600	1,550	130		96.8	20			100	2	40	50				
	100,000	6,800	1,600	1,400	200		87.5				1,000		10	10				
	1,000,000	4,000									10,000		20	20				
B2	10,000	2,450	1,350	1,180	170		87.4				100	5	30	30				
	100,000	2,600	1,700	1,300	400		76.4				1,000	Tr.	30	25				
	1,000,000	3,000									10,000		20	25				
B3	10,000	spread	1,100	990	90		90.0	20			100	Tr.	15	15				
	100,000	1,400	600	500	100		86.5				1,000	Tr.	15	15				
	1,000,000	4,000									10,000		15	15				
C1	10,000	2,360	1,110	740	340		66.6	30			100	Tr.	30	20				
	100,000	2,800	1,200	800	400		66.6				1,000	Tr.	20	20				
	1,000,000	6,000									10,000							
C2	10,000	2,380	740	590	140		79.7	10			100	Tr.	15	20				
	100,000	2,400	800	600	200		66.6				1,000	Tr.	15	20				
	1,000,000	1,000									10,000		15	20				
C3	10,000	2,430	810	720	80		88.8	10			100	Tr.	20	20				
	100,000	2,100	800	500	300		63.3				1,000	Tr.	10	10				
	1,000,000	5,000									10,000	Tr.	Tr.	2				

Each of the six samples was examined in the following way:

1. One gram of frozen cream weighed and 99 c.c. of water added.

2. One c.c. of liquid not containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. capacity pipette.

3. One c.c. of liquid not containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. volumetric pipette.

4. One c.c. of liquid containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. capacity pipette.

5. One c.c. of liquid containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. volumetric pipette.

These results are reported under S_1 S_2 S_3 S_4 S_5 —
 X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 .

VANILLA ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 2.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Colony Count 37°—2 days																		
Sample No.	Description of Sample	Total					Litmus-lactose-agar		Colony Count 20°-5 da.		Dilution	Gas Production			Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Indol	Nitrate	Gelatine
		B.E. Agar	L.L. Agar	Acid	Inert	Alkal.	% Acid Colony Count	B.E. Agar	Lac. Pep.	Bile								
G	Top	10,000	1,700	650	580	70		89.2	2,600	100	Tr.	Tr.	10	10				
	Side	100,000	1,300	1,100	800	300		72.7	2,800	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	10	10			+	+
	Bottom	1,000,000	2,000							10,000	—	—	Tr.	2			+	+
H	Top	10,000	1,690	700	640	40	20	91.4	2,700	100	Tr.	Tr.	20	20				
	Side	100,000	1,100	400	300	100		75.	3,400	1,000	—	—	10	10			+	+
	Bottom	1,000,000	2,000							10,000	—	—	40	50			+	+
I	Top	10,000	1,910						2,400	100	Tr.	Tr.	30	40			+	+
	Side	100,000	1,900	600	500	100		83.3	2,500	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	20	20			+	+
	Bottom	1,000,000								10,000	—	—	—	—			—	—
J	Top	10,000	2,000	800	680	120		85	2,500	100	Tr.	Tr.	30	50			+	+
	Side	100,000	1,100	1,200	1,000	200		83.3	2,400	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	40	50			+	+
	Bottom	1,000,000	4,000							10,000	—	—	20	25			—	—
K	Top	10,000	1,530	880	770	100	10	85.5	2,600	100	Tr.	Tr.	30	40			+	+
	Side	100,000	700	600	500	100		83.3	2,300	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	15	15			+	+
	Bottom	1,000,000	6,000							10,000	—	—	10	10			—	—
L	Top	10,000	3,280	2,240	1,890	340	10	84.3	2,600	100	Tr.	Tr.	20	20				
	Side	100,000	2,600	1,800	1,400	400		77.7	2,300	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	30	30			—	—
	Bottom	1,000,000	14 con- tam. ?							10,000	—	—	10	15			+	+

VANILLA ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 4.

Six samples of about 70cc taken from the side of the can from top to bottom.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Sample No.	Colony Count 37°—2 days										Gas Production				Lit. Lac. Agar Plate		Lit. Lac. Agar Stab.		Indol		Nitrate		Gelatine	
	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total L.I. Agar	Litmus-lactose-agar		Inert	Alkal.	% Acid Count	Colony Count 20°-5 da. B.E. Agar	Dilution	24	Gas Production Lac. Pep. Bile		48	72	+	—	+	—	=	+	—	=	=
				Acid	Alkal.																			
M	10,000	2,620	2,370	1,920	10	440	10	81.0	2,320	100	Tr.	Tr.	15	15	15	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	2,400	2,200	2,000		200		90.9	1,900	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	10	10	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	4,000								100,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
N	10,000	1,890	1,560	1,290	10	260	10	82.7	1,700	100	Tr.	Tr.	20	20	20	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	1,400	2,000	1,600		400		80.	1,000	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	5	5	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	3,000								100,000	—	—	20	20	30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
O	10,000	4,070	1,200 est. alkaline spreader					77.7	2,680	100	Tr.	Tr.	20	15	15	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	3,100	1,800	1,400		400			2,900	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	20	15	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	3,000								100,000	—	—	10	10	15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
P	10,000	2,360	1,470	1,360	10	100	10	92.5	2,600	100	5	5	30	30	30	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	900	1,400	1,300		100		92.8	2,400	1,000	5	5	30	40	40	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	1,000,000	1,000								10,000	—	—	10	10	10	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Q	10,000	2,920	2,010	1,720	20	270	20	85.5	2,200	100	Tr.	Tr.	20	25	25	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	3,100	500	500				100.	1,200	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	20	20	25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000								100,000	—	—	10	30	30	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
R	10,000	2,050	1,940	1,560		380		80.4	2,000	100	Tr.	Tr.	30	30	30	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	100,000	1,500	13,200	12,000		1,200		90.9	1,100	1,000	Tr.	Tr.	30	30	50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000								100,000	—	—	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

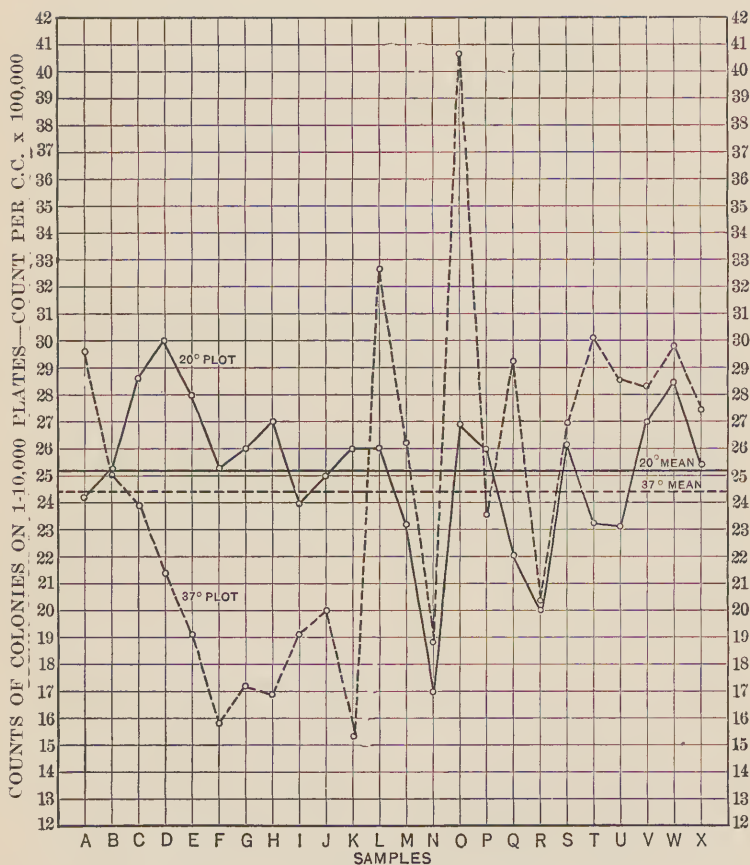


CHART NO. 1.

Plot of the 20°C. and 37°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-10,000 dilutions; and of the means of these counts.

VANILLA ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 5.

Six samples (S, T, U, V, W, X) taken from the same locality at a point adjacent to the place where the six samples for Exp. No. 1 were taken, 3 inches from top near the middle of the can.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Colony Count 37°—2 days																
Sample No.	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total L.L. Agar	Litmus-lactose-agar		Colony Count 20°-5 da.	Colony Count B.E. Agar	% Acid Count	Dilution	Gas Production			Lit. Agar Plate	Lac. Stab.	Indol	Nitrate Gelatine
				Acid	Inert					Lac. Pep.	Bile					
S1	10,000	2,770	1,610?	880?	730? alk.spdr.	54.6	2,300	78.1	100	Tr.	10	10	+	+	+	+
	100,000	2,100	2,300	1,800	400	100	2,900		1,000	Tr.	10	10	+	+	+	+
	1,000,000	2,000							10,000	—	10	10	+	+	+	+
S2	10,000	3,460	2,640	2,220	400	20	2,600	84.0	100	Tr.	10	10	+	+	+	+
	100,000	2,100	1,300	900	400		3,500	69.2	1,000	—	5	5	+	+	+	+
	1,000,000	8,000							10,000	—	2	2	+	+	+	+
S3	10,000	2,130 spdr.	1,460	760	700	100	3,100	52.0	100	Tr.	20	20	+	+	+	+
	100,000	2,700	1,800	1,200	500	100	2,700	66.6	1,000	—	10	10	+	+	+	+
	1,000,000	3,000							10,000	—	—	—	+	+	+	+
S4	10,000	2,920	2,250	1,700	540	10	3,000	75.5	100	2	40	50	+	—	—	—
	100,000	2,600	1,400	1,000	400		2,400	71.4	1,000	—	10	10	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000								10,000	—	Tr.	2	—	—	—	—
S5	10,000	2,280	2,000 est. alkaline spreader			+	2,100		100	10	30	40	+	—	—	—
	100,000	2,200	2,400	1,600	800		2,400	66.6	1,000	Tr.	20	20	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	4,000							10,000	—	Tr.	2	—	—	—	—
T1	10,000	3,000	2,600	2,000	530	70	2,500	76.9	100	10	30	40	+	+	+	+
	100,000	2,700	1,600	1,200	400		2,700	73.0	1,000	Tr.	40	50	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	6,000							10,000	—	Tr.	—	+	—	—	—
T2	10,000	2,570	2,770	1,950	780	40	2,200	70.3	100	2	30	40	+	—	—	—
	100,000	3,300	1,600	1,200	400		3,500	75.0	1,000	Tr.	20	30	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	5,000							10,000	—	20	30	+	—	—	—
T3	10,000	2,480	2,180	1,560	600	20	2,100	87.9	100	Tr.	10	20	+	—	—	—
	100,000	3,300	2,500	1,300	500	100	4,000	76.0	1,000	Tr.	10	20	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	10,000							10,000	—	10	15	—	—	—	—
T4	10,000	3,460	3,200 est.	2,800 est.	400 est. alk.spdr. over 1/2 plate	87.5?	2,200	87.5?	100	5	20	30	+	+	+	+
	100,000	3,600	2,800	2,200	600		3,100	78.5	1,000	Tr.	10	15	+	—	—	+
	1,000,000	6,000							10,000	—	Tr.	—	+	—	—	+
T5	10,000	3,590	1,200 est.	1,200 est. alk.spdr.		100.?	2,600	100.?	100	30	50	60	+	+	+	+
	100,000	3,500	2,400	1,800	600	75.0	3,000	75.0	1,000	Tr.	30	60	+	—	—	+
	1,000,000	10,000							10,000	—	40	60	+	—	—	+

VANILLA ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 5.—(Continued)

Colony Count 37°—2 days													
Sample No.	Dilution	Litmus-lactose-agar			% Acid Colony Count	Colony Count 20°-5 da. B.E. Agar	Dilution	Gas Production L.ac. Pep. Bile			Lit. Agar Plate	Lac. Agar Stab.	Indol Nitrate Gelatine
		Total L.L. Agar	Acid	Inert				24	48	72			
W1	10,000	2,670	1,710	540	68.4	2,100	100	Tr.	20	20	+	—	—
	100,000	100	1,170	100		400	1,000	Tr.	40	50	+	—	+
	1,000,000	1,000					10,000	—	30	30	—	—	—
W2	10,000	3,180	1,720	650	70.7	2,750	100	5	26	30	+	—	—
	100,000	2,800	1,000	500	66.6	3,000	1,000	Tr.	20	20	+	—	+
	1,000,000	4,000					10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—
W3	10,000	2,660	1,950	520	72.8	3,000	100	Tr.	30	30	+	+	—
	100,000	3,100	1,400	500	73.6	2,000	1,000	50	50	50	+	+	—
	1,000,000	4,000					10,000	—	10	20	—	—	—
W4	10,000	3,690	1,720	620	72.8	3,200	100	Tr.	15	20	+	—	—
	100,000	2,500	no litmus in plate			2,800	1,000	Tr.	15	20	+	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000					10,000	Tr.	40	40	+	—	—
W5	10,000	3,730	2,190	950	68.8	3,200	100	5	20	30	+	—	—
	100,000	3,000	2,700	700	77.1	4,000	1,000	Tr.	10	15	+	—	—
	1,000,000	7,000					10,000	—	30	30	+	—	—
X1	10,000	2,910	1,550	740	67.3	2,600	100	5	40	40	+	—	—
	100,000	3,200	1,200	400	70.5	2,000	1,000	Tr.	20	20	+	—	—
	1,000,000	3,000					10,000	Tr.	60	60	—	—	—
X2	10,000	2,740	1,760	510	75.8	2,600	100	5	20	20	+	—	—
	100,000	2,200	3,800	500	88.3	2,600	1,000	Tr.	10	10	+	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000					10,000	Tr.	15	20	+	—	—
X3	10,000	2,820	2,090	590	76.5	2,600	100	Tr.	50	50	+	+	—
	100,000	3,000	2,000	900	62.0	2,300	1,000	Tr.	20	30	+	—	—
	1,000,000	1,000					10,000	Tr.	70	80	+	+	—
X4	10,000	2,230	2,040	1,000	66.8	2,400	100	Tr.	10	10	+	—	—
	100,000	2,500	2,000	1,100	64.5	3,000	1,000	Tr.	20	20	+	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000					10,000	—	10	15	+	—	—
X5	10,000	3,000	2,070	600	76.8	2,500	100	Tr.	20	30	+	+	—
	100,000	2,400	1,200	400	75.0	2,800	1,000	—	20	30	+	—	—
	1,000,000	3,000					10,000	—	10	15	+	—	—

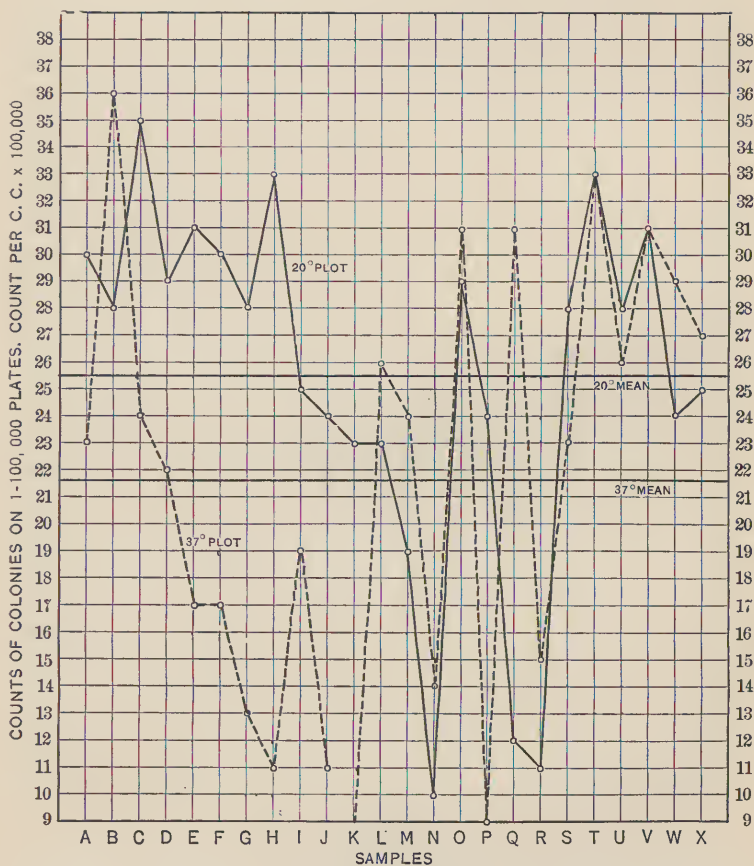


CHART NO. 2.

Plot of the 20°C. and 37°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-100,000 dilutions; and of the means of these counts.

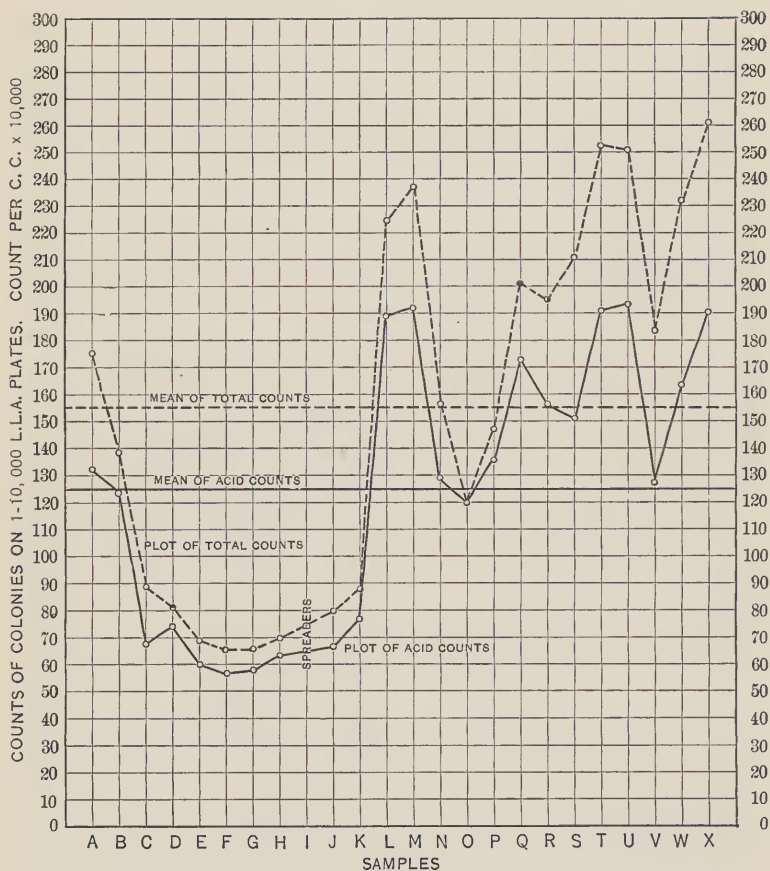


CHART NO. 3.

Plot of the 37°C. litmus lactose agar total and acid forming bacterial counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-10,000 dilutions; and of the means of these counts.

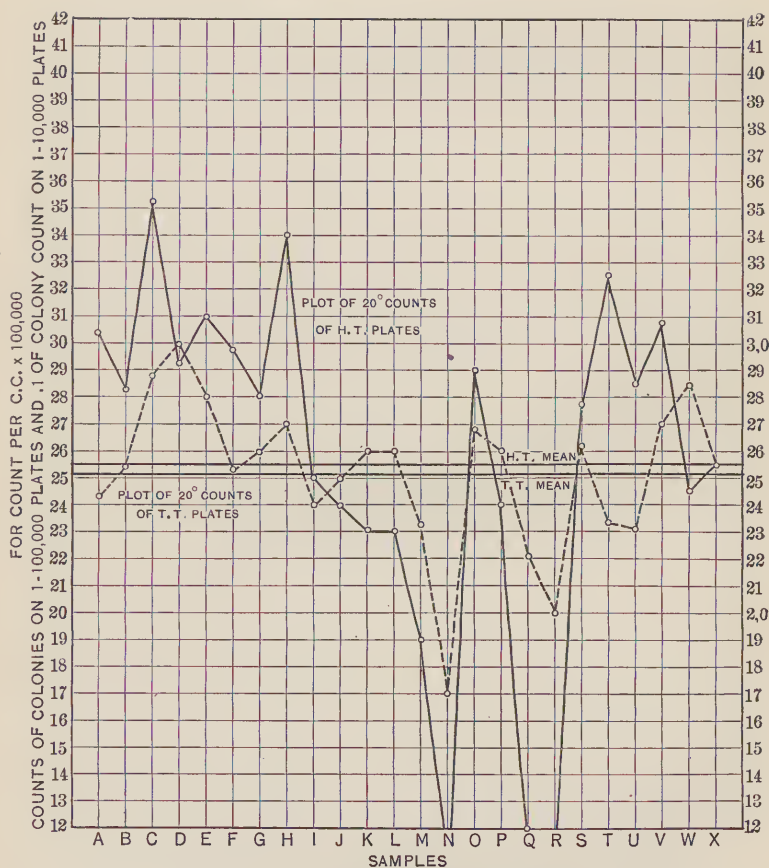


CHART NO. 4.

Plot of the 20°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-10,000 and 1-100,000 dilutions of same samples; and of the means of these counts.

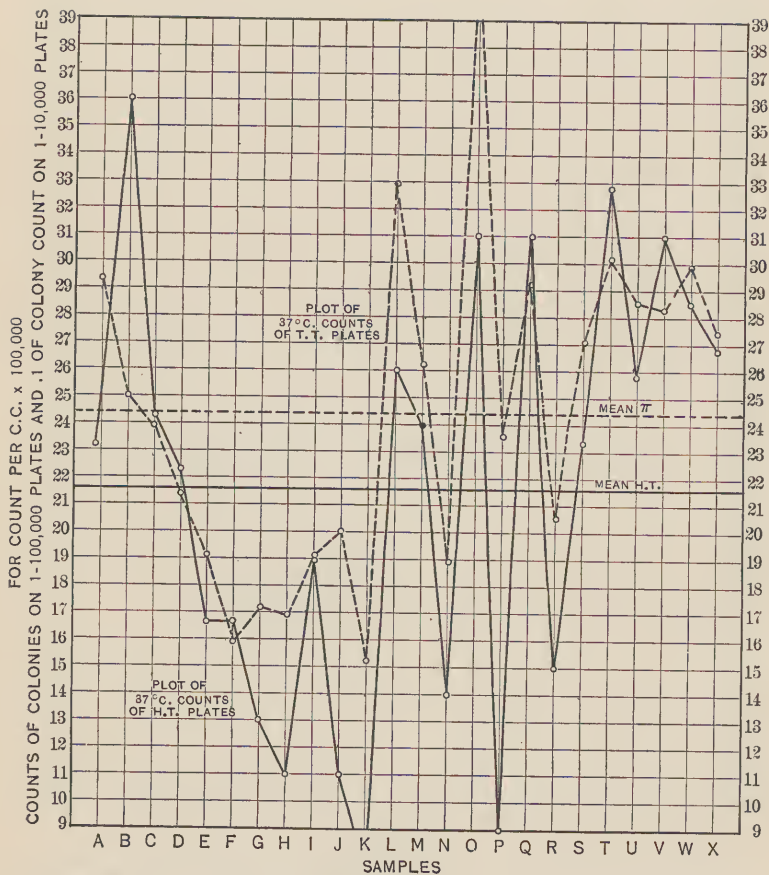


CHART NO. 5.

Plot of the 37°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples, made from 1-10,000 and 1-100,000 dilutions of the same samples; and of the means of these counts.

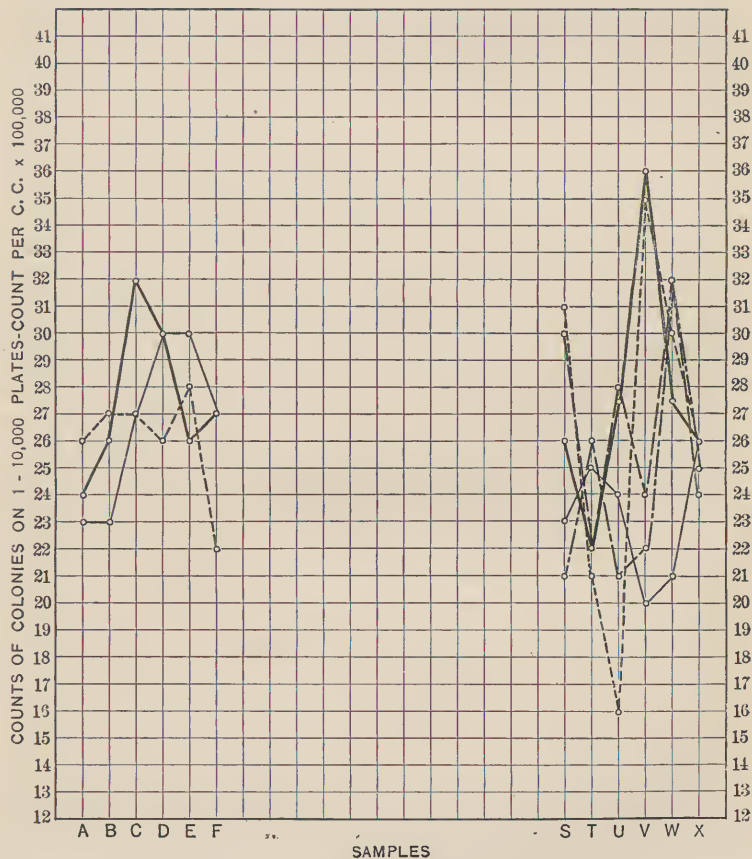


CHART NO. 6.

Plot of the 20°C. beef extract agar counts of Vanilla Ice Cream samples made from the 1-10,000 dilutions.

Samples A to F—Tests made in triplicate by the same method.

Samples S to X, inclusive—Tests made by different methods of sampling.

Key to Plot of Samples.

Heavy solid line—Plot of Sample examined by Method No. 1.

Light solid line—Plot of Sample examined by Method No. 2.

Dotted line—Plot of Sample examined by Method No. 3.

Dash line—Plot of Sample examined by Method No. 4.

Dash and dot line—Plot of Sample examined by Method No. 5.

Method No. 1. One gram of frozen cream weighed out and 99 c.c. water added.

Method No. 2. One c.c. melted ice cream not containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. capacity pipette.

Method No. 3. One c.c. melted ice cream not containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. volumetric pipette.

Method No. 4. One c.c. melted ice cream containing air bubbles removed with 1 c.c. capacity pipette.

Method No. 5. One c.c. melted ice cream containing air bubbles, removed with 1 c.c. volumetric pipette.

Samples A, B, C, D, E, F, S, T, U, V, W, X all removed from same immediate location.

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Comments on Results of Tests as Shown by Charts 1 to 6 (Inclusive).

CHART NO. 1.

1. The results of the tests on samples A to F (inclusive), obtained from one portion of the can, as given for the 1 to 10,000 dilution at either of the two temperatures, show marked numerical differences, notwithstanding that these results are the averages of triplicate tests on each sample. The results of any individual test are not harmonious with the results of any of the others, as is shown for the 20°C. tests under A to F (inclusive) in Chart No. 6.

2. The results on these six samples at 37°C. showed

much greater variations than did those obtained from the 20°C. tests.

3. The variations in the results on these six samples from the one location, at 20°C., as already noted, were greater than those in the results of the tests of the following six samples, G to L (inclusive), obtained from various portions of the can contents, when tested at the same temperature; but the reverse is true of the results of the tests at 37°C.

4. In the tests of samples M to R (inclusive), made for the purpose of determining evenness of melting, there occurred the most extreme differences to be noted in any of the comparisons of results on this chart. While a general parallelism between the 20°C. and 37°C. counts was to be noted, the results of the tests made at the latter temperature were almost invariably higher than the former. This reverses the results of the tests on samples A to L, all of which were melted in the same manner.

5. A greater degree of uniformity is to be noted in the results obtained in the case of samples S to X (inclusive), which samples were tested by five different methods of examination. This uniformity, however, is due, in large part, to the fact that these results are averages of those obtained by the application of the five different methods of examination. The full details of these differences are shown under samples S to X in Table 6.

There is noted a parallelism between the 20°C. and the 37°C. counts on these samples, S to X; but the counts at the latter temperature were higher, which is a reversal of the results obtained from the tests of samples A to F, which samples were taken from the same portion of the can.

CHART NO. 2.

6. The results of the counts of the 1 to 100,000 dilution plates on all the samples showed generally greater variations than those obtained from the 1 to 10,000 dilution

plates shown in Chart 1. This is clearly brought out by noting the greater difference between the means of the counts at 20°C. and those at 37°C. in Chart 2, as compared with the means in Chart 1.

7. There is a general resemblance between the outlines of the plottings of Chart 2 when compared with those on Chart 1, but upon studying the results in each chart for any one of several particular samples great variations are to be found. This is well illustrated by a study of sample P.

8. Upon attempting to compare the details of Chart 2, as has been done in comments 2, 3, 4, and 5 for Chart 1, we find that the same statements would be inappropriate for this chart. In some instances the comments would be accurately descriptive of the results, but in other instances the reverse is true.

CHART NO. 3.

9. A comparison of the results of the counts on separate samples, when tested upon litmus lactose agar, using the plates of the 1 to 10,000 dilution, with the counts of acid colonies on the same plates shows a marked parallelism between the two.

10. The plottings in this chart show a general parallelism with the 37°C. plottings in Charts 1 and 2, except for the samples K to X. Among these samples we find some of the plottings similar to those in the previous charts, but others are quite unlike them.

CHART NO. 4.

11. In this chart, comparing the results of counts of dilution plates 1 to 10,000 with those at 1 to 100,000, incubated at the one temperature (20°C.), we find an apparent parallelism between the plottings; but upon close examination we find sometimes the 1 to 10,000 plates giving

the higher results, and at other times the 1 to 100,000 plates showing the higher counts.

12. The average results of the triplicate samples, as shown for A to F (inclusive), together with the results of tests of samples from scattered locations in the can, C to L (inclusive), show a greater degree of uniformity than do the results of the evenness of melting samples M to R. The results in the latter group of samples greatly differ from those in the former in two general locations and are also quite at variance with the results of the averages of the samples S to X.

13. The averages of the results of the application of the five different methods to samples S to X (inclusive), showing variations of 1,000,000 in a maximum bacterial count of but little over 3,000,000, show clearly the unreliability even of averages of five samples when the methods are somewhat at variance. These variations are, however, but little greater than the variations to be found in the averages of three tests in which the same method was employed, as is shown by the plottings of the results of samples A to F in this table. It cannot be said, therefore, that the differences in methods were the causes of the variations in the results obtained in samples S to X. Apparently slight variations in method do not lead to differences in bacterial counts of such magnitude as are liable to be caused by the natural variations in the bacterial content of the ice cream itself.

CHART NO. 5.

14. In this chart we have the most extreme variations noted in any comparison of results from the examination of the samples of the vanilla product. This greater variation is an expression of the result that has been obtained in all of the examinations of ice cream, namely, that in comparing the 37° counts with similar counts at

20°, which are plotted in chart 4 in this case, the 37° counts are always more variable than the 20°. In comparing chart 5 to chart 4, the wide difference in the means between the 10,000 and the 100,000 dilution results in chart 5 as compared to chart 4 show clearly this point. Among the evenness of melting samples we find the very widest extremes, although there is a certain parallelism between the two dilutions in each sample. On the averages of the triplicate samples from A to F about two-thirds show reasonable uniformity between the two dilutions; the other third shows a wide variation, especially for averages. The averages of the results on samples S to X, in which five different methods were employed, show smaller differences than are to be found among the evenness of melting results; none the less, they are quite wide considering that they are averages of five tests.

CHART NO. 6.

15. Continuing comments 13 and 14 concerning the lack of uniformity in the variations on samples S to X, we find in chart 6 the details of the results obtained at one dilution, 1 to 10,000, at one temperature, 20°C. We note that the results of the different methods of testing show little parallelism. While it would be conceivable that these different methods would not give uniform results on any one sample, we might expect that the difference in method would show the same for each sample, but when we compare the results on sample T with those of samples U or V, we find wide differences. The results with one method are above the fair mean in one sample, and are below on another. In fact, there appears to be no uniformity whatever. This lack of uniformity, therefore, has less to do with the difference in technique than in the composition of the individual portion examined by any one method. The variations in the averages in the

individual results by the five methods in samples S to X are greater than the variations in the individual results of the triplicate analyses of samples A to F. In the latter group, the results are more uniform than have been noted in any of the previous charts, and bring us back to the first comment on chart 1.

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 1 AND NO. 3 COMBINED.

Six samples (A, B, C, D, E, F) taken from the same location about 3 inches from the top and at the middle of the can.
Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Colony Count 37°—2 days									
Sample No.	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total L.L. Agar	Litmus-lactose-agar	% Acid Colony Count 20°-5 da.	Colony Count B.E. Agar	Dilution	Gas Production Lac. Pep. Bile	Lit. Lac. Agar Plate Stab. Indol Nitrate Gelatine
A1	10,000					8,200	100	48	5
	100,000	27,000	31,400	7,400	22.2	11,800	1,000	Tr.	—
	1,000,000	30,000		24,000		13,000	10,000	—	—
A2	10,000					7,560	100	—	—
	100,000	19,200	19,000	5,200	27.3	6,800	1,000	—	5
	1,000,000	24,000		13,800		9,000	10,000	—	—
A3	10,000					6,300	100	—	5
	100,000	14,600	22,900	6,600	28.8	7,600	1,000	—	Tr.
	1,000,000	20,000		16,300		11,000	10,000	—	—
B1	10,000					6,300	100	10	+
	100,000	23,200	27,000	6,200	34.0	7,900	1,000	Tr.	+
	1,000,000	23,000		20,800		7,000	10,000	—	—
B2	10,000					3,000 spr.	100	60	+
	100,000	27,600	23,700	5,200	21.9	9,900	1,000	—	+
	1,000,000	40,000		18,500		12,000	10,000	—	—
B3	10,000					8,190	100	—	—
	100,000	19,200	31,600	5,600	17.6	8,900	1,000	—	—
	1,000,000	24,000		26,000		8,000	10,000	—	—
C1	10,000					8,820	100	Tr.	5
	100,000	22,900	25,000	6,200		9,300	1,000	—	+
	1,000,000	18,000		18,800		5,000	10,000	—	+
C2	10,000					5,040	100	—	—
	100,000	22,400	33,300	10,000	30.0	8,500	1,000	—	—
	1,000,000	18,000		22,900	400	spread	10,000	—	—

C3	10,000	26,000	30,200	7,800	22,400	25.8	8,820	100	—	5	Tr.	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000						8,100	1,000	—	—	10					
	1,000,000						5,000	10,000	—	—						
D1	10,000						7,560	100	—	30	50	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000	22,600	34,000	7,200	26,800	24.7	1 mould									
	1,000,000	22,000					10,000	1,000	—	—	—					
D2	10,000	23,200	29,500	7,900	21,600	26.7	6,930	100	—	—	Tr.					
	100,000						8,200	1,000	—	—	Tr.					
	1,000,000	22,000					9,000	10,000	—	—	—					
D3	10,000						8,190	100	—	—	Tr.					
	100,000	18,000	27,400	6,000	21,400	21.9	8,800	1,000	—	—	—					
	1,000,000	13,000					5,000	10,000	—	—	—					
E1	10,000						7,560	100	—	—	Tr.					
	100,000	23,200	30,200	7,000	23,200	23.1	10,100	1,000	—	—	Tr.					
	1,000,000	31,000					7,000	10,000	—	—	—					
E2	10,000						11,340	100	—	Tr.	5	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000	23,600	27,900	7,000	20,900	28.3	7,800	1,000	—	Tr.	10	+	—	—	+	—
	1,000,000	24,000					6,000	10,000	—	—	—					
E3	10,000						6,930	100	—	Tr.	10	+	+	+	—	—
	100,000	19,200	20,900	4,700	16,200	33.5	5,100	1,000	—	—	5					
	1,000,000	31,000					13,000	10,000	—	—	—					
F1	10,000						6,930	100	—	—	Tr.					
	100,000	23,200	24,800	6,200	18,600	25.0	6,800	1,000	—	—	—					
	1,000,000	26,000					13,000	10,000	—	—	—					
F2	10,000						10,710	100	—	Tr.	5					
	100,000	28,000	26,800	8,400	18,400	31.3	10,300	1,000	—	Tr.	10					
	1,000,000	30,000					17,000	10,000	—	—	—					
F3	10,000						6,930	100	—	—	10					
	100,000	27,600	26,800	7,000	19,800	26.1	7,300	1,000	—	—	—					
	1,000,000	34,000					8,000	10,000	—	—	—					

Chocolate Ice Cream Experiments.
Technique of Examinations Same
as Outlined for Experiments on
Vanilla Ice Cream

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 2.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Description of Sample	Colony Count 37°—2 days					Colony Count 20°-5 Ca. B.E. Agar	% Acid Colony Count	Lactose-Litmus-Agar		Dilution	Gas Production Lac. Pep. Bile			Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Lac. Stab.	Indol	Nitrate	Gelatine
	Sample No.	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total L.L. Agar	Acid	Inert	Alkal.	Colony Count	% Acid Colony Count		24	48	72					
Top Side of Sample G	10,000							8,190		100	—	Tr.	5	+	—	+	+	—
	100,000		31,400	33,100	8,900	24,200		10,100	26.8	1,000	—	—	—	+	+	+	+	—
	1,000,000		32,000					6,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Top Middle of Sample H	10,000							6,930		100	—	10	10	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000		24,900	28,100	5,900	22,200		7,900	21.0	1,000	—	—	—	+	+	+	+	—
	1,000,000		26,000					12,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Centre of Sample I	10,000							10,710		100	Tr.	10	10	+	+	—	+	—
	100,000		38,700	35,800	11,700	23,900	200	9,200	32.7	1,000	—	—	Tr.	+	+	—	+	—
	1,000,000		33,000					12,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Centre of Sample J	10,000							9,450		100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000		32,700	27,900	7,000	20,600	300	6,700	25.0	1,000	—	—	15	+	+	+	+	—
	1,000,000		18,000					10,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bottom of Sample K	10,000							10,080		100	5	60	70	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000		27,200	34,700	7,900	26,800		10,200	22.7	1,000	—	—	Tr.	+	+	+	+	—
	1,000,000		32,000					11,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bottom of Sample L	10,000							6,300		100	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000		29,800	29,900	7,800	22,000	100	9,000	26.0	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000		28,000					11,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 5.

Six samples (S, T, U, V, W, X) taken from the same locality at a point adjacent to the place where the six samples for Exp. No. 1 were taken, 3 inches from top near middle of can.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Sample		Colony Count 37°—2 days					Colony Count 20°-5 da. B.E. Agar	% Acid Count	Dilution	Gas Production		Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Lac. Stab.	Indol	Nitrate	Gelatine
		Total	L.L. Agar	Lactose-Litmus-Agar Acid	Inert	Alkal.				24	Lac. Pep. Bile 48					
S1	10,000	28,700	24,000	6,100	22,600		6,300	21.2	100	+	Tr.	10	+	+	—	+
	100,000						7,800		1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						3,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S2	10,000	37,800	33,600	9,500	26,300		13,230	25.1	100	—	Tr.	5	+	—	+	—
	100,000						9,900		1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						6,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S3	10,000	31,500	28,200	7,900	23,600		8,820	25.0	100	—	10	10	+	+	+	—
	100,000						8,200		1,000	—	Tr.	5	+	—	+	—
	1,000,000						8,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
S4	10,000	37,600	31,300	8,800	22,400	100	10,080	28.1	100	—	—	10	—	—	—	—
	100,000						9,100		1,000	—	Tr.	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						14,000		10,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
S5	10,000	22,700	29,900	5,200	17,500		13,800	22.9	100	—	60	60	+	—	+	—
	100,000						7,700		1,000	—	10	10	+	—	+	—
	1,000,000						15,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T1	10,000	19,300	21,000	5,200	14,100		7,500	26.4	100	—	10	20	—	—	—	—
	100,000						6,500		1,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						6,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T2	10,000	31,900	33,500	10,000	21,900		10,710	31.3	100	—	—	5	—	—	—	—
	100,000						8,700		1,000	—	Tr.	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						13,000		10,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
T3	10,000	30,300	17,800	6,200	24,100		8,190	20.4	100	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	100,000						8,700		1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						7,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T4	10,000	22,300	24,700	7,500	14,800		6,930	21.3	100	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	100,000						8,200		1,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						10,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
T5	10,000	32,100	24,900	11,300	20,800		5,670	35.2	100	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	100,000						6,800		1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						8,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
U1	10,000	28,200	25,200	3,600	24,600		10,080	12.0	100	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	100,000						8,000		1,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						9,000		10,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
U2	10,000	45,000	32,000	11,700	33,300	200	9,450	26.0	100	—	50	50	+	+	+	—
	100,000						9,200		1,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						5,000		10,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
U3	10,000	23,200	22,300	7,000	16,200		7,500	30.1	100	Tr.	Tr.	Tr.	+	+	+	—
	100,000						7,800		1,000	—	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						7,000		10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

U4	10,000	24,500	28,700	8,400	20,300	9,450 spread.	100	70	+	+	+	+	—	+	—
	100,000	30,000				?	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000						10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
U5	10,000	20,100		12,700	unc.	10,710	100	10	10	+	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000	26,000				6,700	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					5,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
V1	10,000	30,600	32,200	6,600	25,600	7,560	100	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	46,000				10,000	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					10,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
V2	10,000	34,000	43,300	10,300	33,000	10,080	100	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000					10,200	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	33,000				11,000	10,000	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
V3	10,000	33,400	33,200	10,000	23,200	7,560	100	30	50	+	+	—	—	+	—
	100,000	32,000				11,000	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					11,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
V4	10,000	30,000	28,800	6,800	22,000	8,190	100	Tr.	10	+	+	—	—	+	—
	100,000	38,000				10,000	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					10,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
V5	10,000	23,000	28,000	6,600	21,400	9,450	100	10	15	+	+	—	—	+	—
	100,000	33,000				8,400	1,000	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					14,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W1	10,000	26,200	30,700	7,800	22,900	10,080	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	30,000				7,800	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					6,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W2	10,000	29,400	31,200	6,600	24,600	10,080	100	Tr.	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	22,000				8,200	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					10,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W3	10,000	35,100	28,800	6,800	22,000	11,340	100	60	60	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	31,000				8,000	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					7,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W4	10,000	27,400	33,300	10,300	23,000	6,930	100	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	32,000				8,100	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					11,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
W5	10,000	20,500	26,500	6,400	20,100	9,300	100	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	39,000				5,100	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					6,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
X1	10,000	29,600	56,600	25,900	30,700	9,540	100	Tr.	5	+	+	—	—	+	—
	100,000	28,000				8,200	1,000	broken	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					9,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
X2	10,000	35,000	65,100	25,300	39,400	8,820	100	—	Tr.	+	+	—	—	+	—
	100,000	33,000				9,200	1,000	—	Tr.	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					150,000	10,000	—	10	—	—	—	—	—	—
X3	10,000	31,200	67,800	31,200	36,400	5,670	100	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	28,000				9,300	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					7,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
X4	10,000	28,200		alkaline spreader		9,450	100	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—
	100,000	27,000				7,500	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					8,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
X5	10,000	26,200	26,100	7,000	19,100	10,710	100	50	60	+	+	+	+	+	—
	100,000	23,000				8,400	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000					11,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM.—EXPERIMENT NO. 4.

Six samples of about 70cc taken from the side of the can from top to bottom.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

Colony Count 37°—2 days																
Sample No.	Dilution	B.E. Agar	Total		Litmus-lactose-agar		% Acid Colony Count B.E. Agar	Colony Count 20°-5 da.	Gas Production			Lit. Agar Plate	Lac. Agar Stab.	Indol	Nitrate	Gelatin
			L.L. Agar	Acid	Inert	Alkal.			Dilution	24	48					
M	10,000							7,560	100	—	Tr.	Tr.	+	—	—	—
	100,000	2,700	25,600	6,000	19,600		23.4	7,600	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	3,200						10,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
N	10,000							6,930	100	—	5	10	+	+	—	—
	100,000	2,600	27,200	6,200	21,000		22.8	8,200	1,000	—	10	10	+	—	+	—
	1,000,000	2,900						4,000	10,000	—	—	Tr.	+	—	+	—
O	10,000							9,450	100	—	10	20	+	—	—	—
	100,000	2,180		6,400	unc.			8,100	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	2,600						7,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
P	10,000							8,820	100	—	10	10	+	+	—	—
	100,000	2,720	27,600	6,400	21,200		23.1	7,200	1,000	—	—	—	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	3,000						8,000	10,000	—	Tr.	5	+	—	—	—
Q	10,000							6,300	100	—	10	10	+	—	+	—
	100,000	2,160	27,000	7,000	20,000		25.9	8,600	1,000	—	—	Tr.	+	—	—	—
	1,000,000	2,100						7,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
R	10,000							7,560	100	—	—	Tr.	+	—	—	—
	100,000	2,300	28,400	6,600	21,800		23.2	8,400	1,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	1,000,000	2,000						6,000	10,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

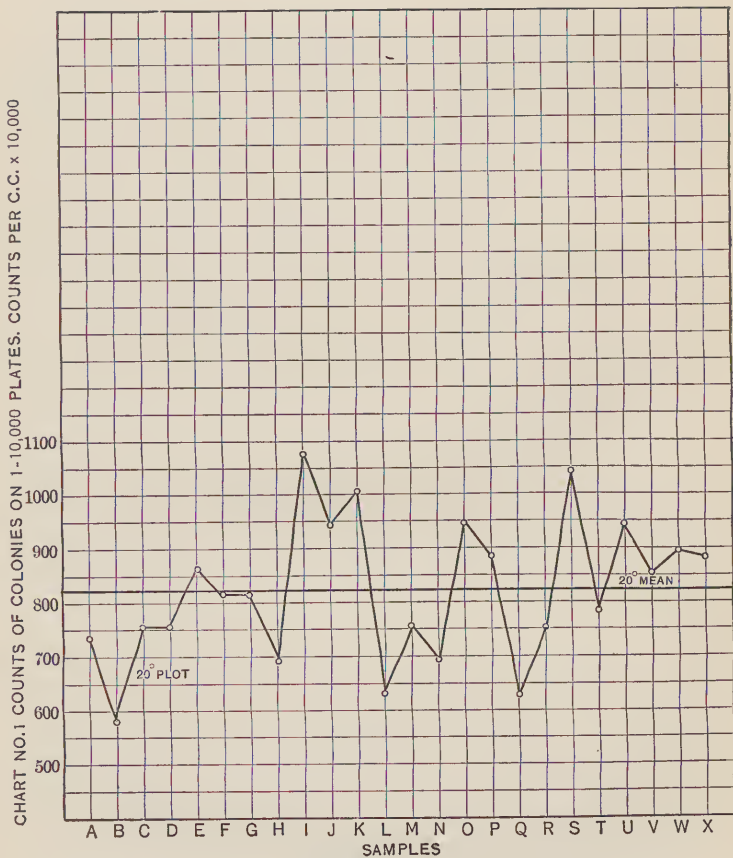
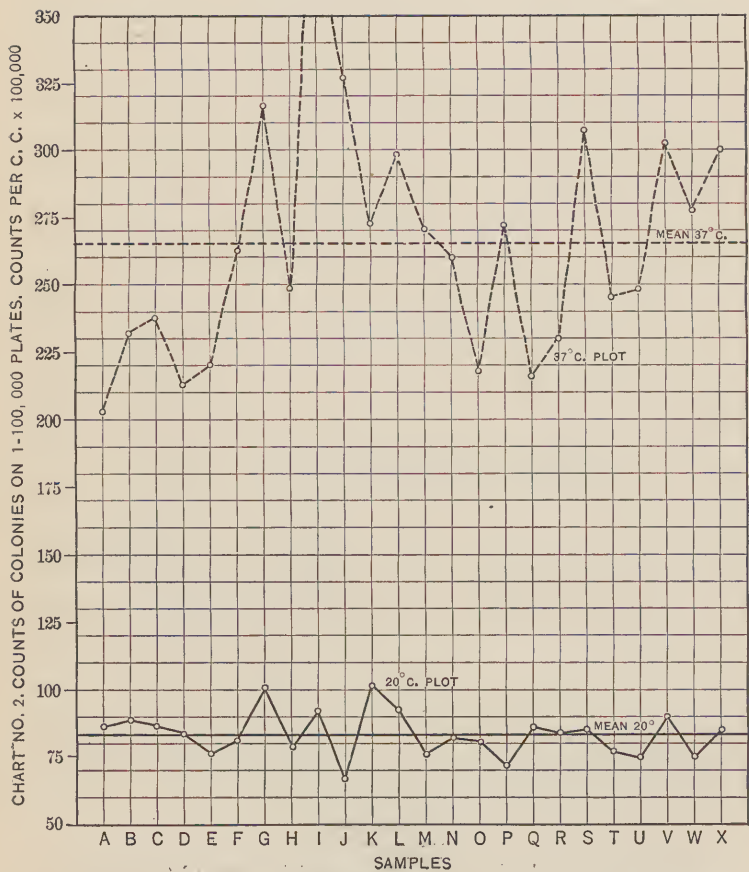


CHART No. 1.

Plot of the 20°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Chocolate Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-10,000 dilutions; and of the mean of these counts.



Plot of the 20°C. and 37°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Chocolate Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-100,000 dilutions; and of the means of these counts.

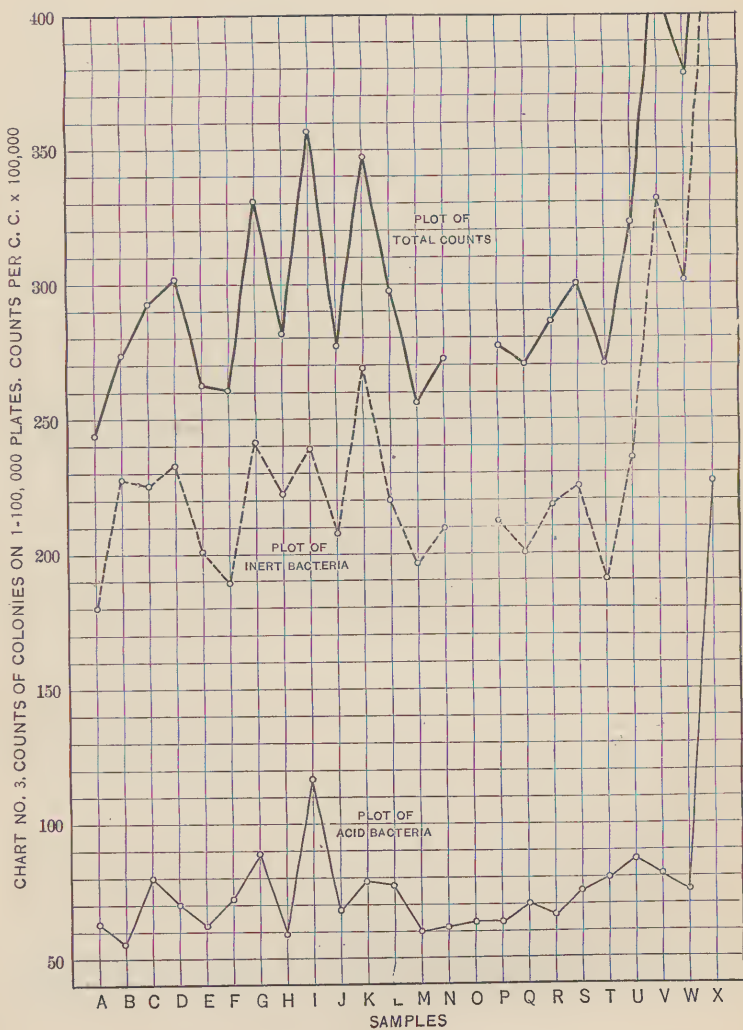


CHART NO. 3.

Plot of the 37°C. litmus lactose agar total and acid forming bacterial counts of Chocolate Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-100,000 dilutions; and of the means of these counts.

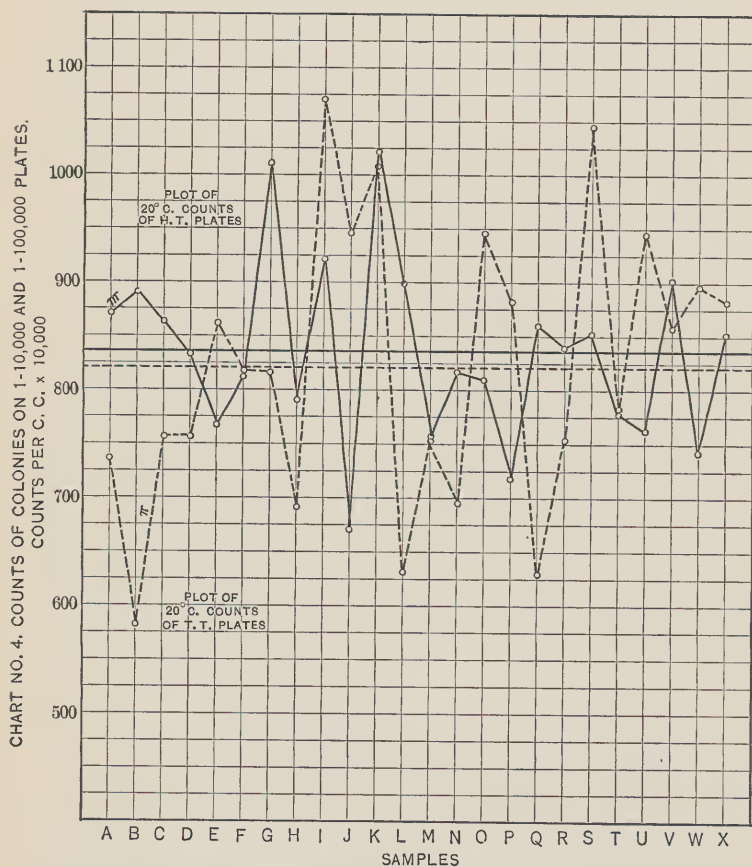


CHART NO. 4.

Plot of the 20°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Chocolate Ice Cream samples, made from the 1-10,000 and 1-100,000 dilutions of same samples; and of the means of these counts.

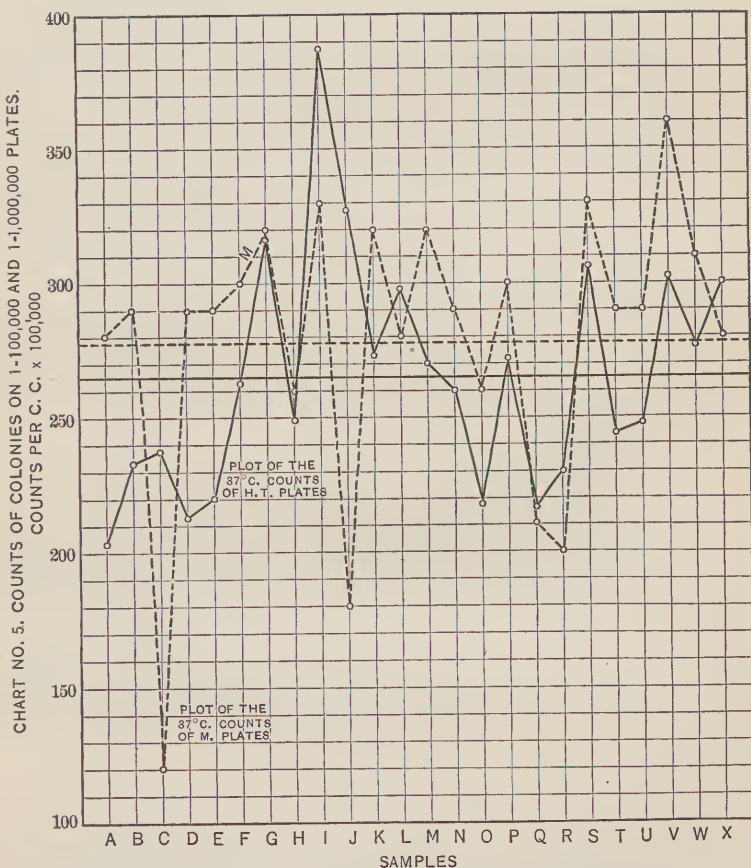


CHART NO. 5.

Plot of the 37°C. beef extract agar bacterial counts of Chocolate Ice Cream samples, made from 1-100,000 and 1-1,000,000 dilutions of the same samples; and of the means of these counts.

Chocolate Ice Cream.

Comments on Results of Tests as Shown by Charts 1 to 5 (Inclusive).

CHART NO. 1.

1. In comparing the results of the averages of triplicate tests on these samples from one location in the can, shown in chart 1, samples A to F, we find differences of somewhat less than 6,000,000 bacteria per c.c. to 8,500,000. For triplicate results, these differences are too great to be explained by anything but an actual difference in the bacterial content of the particular amount of ice cream examined in each test. We find still greater differences when we note the results obtained on individual samples from different portions of the can as shown on the chart on samples G to L (inclusive). Very much the same variations are found among the samples tested for evenness of melting, M to R (inclusive), and we find but little less variation in some of the averages of the five different methods applied to samples S to X.

CHART NO. 2.

2. In this chart we find a picture not previously seen of very wide variation between the means of the 20° and 37° counts. There is a considerable degree of uniformity, however, among the counts for each temperature—a greater degree of uniformity in that respect than we have previously seen. This is especially true of the 20° plottings.

CHART NO. 3.

3. In this chart there is to be noted a wide variation between the total litmus lactose agar counts and the acid forming bacterial counts on the same samples. As in the case of the vanilla ice cream, there is a considerable parallelism between the total counts and the acids counts, as would be expected. This parallelism is even extended to the inert bacteria. In this lot of ice cream the inert bac-

teria played a superior rôle over the acid-forming organisms.

4. A remarkable picture is presented by the variations in the results of different methods of testing samples S to X. Notwithstanding the fact that these samples all came from the same general location, we find an extreme divergence in the averages of the results. This divergence was not noted in the results of the tests at any temperature or any dilution when beef extract agar was used, but appears to be incidental to the use of the litmus lactose agar. It applies in the 1 to 100,000 dilution to both types of organisms present, the inert as well as the acid. This is a good example of the unreliability of litmus lactose agar counts in attempts to determine the sanitary condition of ice cream.

CHART NO. 4.

5. The extreme variations found in the averages of the triplicate tests on samples A to F in this chart are noteworthy. The results on all the other samples in the chart show the usual mixed variability with no sort of uniformity whatever; sometimes the 100,000 plates are higher, and very frequently lower than the 10,000 plates. There is again a series of wide variations in the averages of the S to X sample results.

CHART NO. 5.

6. Again we note the great variability in the averaging of the triplicate samples from the one location in samples from A to F. The 1 to 1,000,000 plates in this chart were on the average higher than the 1 to 100,000 plates, but none the less frequently show lower results than the latter. The extremes of variations in results in this chart, which are the 37° temperature plottings, are greater than the results in the previous chart, which are the 20° tests. Again we find a wide difference in the averages of the

five different methods of testing samples S to X, although there is a certain parallelism between the two dilutions—the 1 to 1,000,000 usually giving the higher results, although in the last sample, X, it fell below.

STRAWBERRY ICE CREAM EXPERIMENTS.

Technique.

Source of Sample. A three-gallon can of Commercial Strawberry Ice Cream was purchased at a retail store and delivered by them to the Lederle Laboratories.

Method of Taking Samples. Sterile teaspoons were used for sampling. The samples were transferred from can to 2-oz. and 4-oz. glass-stoppered bottles.

Three of the samples collected from the same immediate location, 4" from the surface of the can, in center, were one spoonful only. Three larger samples collected from top, middle and bottom, center of can, were 4 oz. each.

These samples, immediately after removing from can, were packed in ice, and placed in refrigerator until tested.

Method of Melting Sample Before Examination. The smaller samples were melted after taking from ice, by placing in water bath, and shaking thoroughly.

The large 4-oz. samples were allowed to stand at room temperature for ten minutes, and melted portion at bottom of bottle tested, without shaking.

Media. Two batches of all media used were made and duplicate tests conducted, using both sets of media for each sample. One lot of media was made on January 21, 1914, the second lot made on January 28, 1914. The media was stored in refrigerator for ten and three days respectively, before starting experiments.

The following Media were used in examination:

Standard Beef Extract Agar

Standard Inf. Agar.

Lactose Bile (Durham Fermentation tubes).

Standard Casein Agar.

Standard B. E. Agar plus litmus and lactose solutions.

Standard B. E. Agar plus litmus and dextrose solutions.

(All Beef Extract Agar used for making litmus lactose and litmus dextrose plates, was from same lots as that used for making Beef Extract agar plates.)

Dilution Bottles and Diluting Water. The dilution bottles used were 1-oz. and 4-oz. Philadelphia ovals, filled by automatic burettes and to contain 99 c.c. dilution water and 9 c.c. dilution water, respectively after autoclave sterilization. The dilution water contained 0.5% commercial sodium chloride.

Pipettes. The pipettes used were straight sided, single mark and blunt pointed. Capacity pipettes graduated to contain 1 c.c. water, were used for making primary dilution of sample, and volumetric pipettes graduated to deliver 1 c.c. water, for all other dilutions and inoculations.

Petri dishes. Petri dishes 10 x 1.5 cm. sterilized by dry heat at 180°C. for two hours were used for all inoculations (plating).

Method for Making Dilutions and Plating. In all cases, the sample of ice cream was measured by a 1 c.c. single mark capacity pipette, and the pipettes washed out with the dilution water.

The Method of Dilution was as follows:

1 c.c. of sample	to	99 c.c. dilution bottle	=	1:100
1 c.c. of 1:100	to	9 c.c. dilution bottle	=	1:1000
1 c.c. of 1:100	to	99 c.c. dilution bottle	=	1:10000
1 c.c. of 1:10000	to	9 c.c. dilution bottle	=	1:100000
1 c.c. of 1:10000	to	99 c.c. dilution bottle	=	1:1000000

Transfers for higher dilutions were made before 1 c.c. was transferred to petri dish.

Litmus Lactose and Litmus Dextrose Agar Plates. 1 c.c. of a 10% solution of lactose or dextrose, and $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of 1% solution of azolitmin were added to each plate before inoculation with 1 c.c. of diluted sample.

Test for Bacteria of B. Coli Type. Durham fermentation tubes were used. The outside tube was 6" x $\frac{7}{8}$ ", the inside tube 3" x $\frac{3}{8}$ ". The lactose-peptone bile media was made by adding 1% lactose and 1% peptone to fresh ox-bile, which had previously been boiled and filtered.

Two lots of bile media were prepared in accordance with the demands of the experiment and held in the refrigerator until used.

The inoculated tubes were incubated for 72 hours at 37°C., the percentage of gas formed at the end of each 24 hours of incubation being recorded.

From the tubes, litmus lactose agar plates were made at the end of 24, 48 or 72 hours, as gas formation was found.

These plates were made by transferring from tubes, one 3 mm. loopful of bile to a 9 c.c. dilution bottle, and one 3 mm. loopful of this dilution to a plate containing lactose and azolitmin solutions.

After incubation at 37°C. for 24 hours, characteristic colon colonies were isolated from plates to lactose agar slants. These slants were then grown at 37°C. for 24 hours and transfers made from the growths to tubes of Durham's peptone solution, and to nitrate solution.

A stab culture was made in the lactose agar slant, and in a tube of infusion gelatin.

The peptone solution was tested for the presence of indol by the addition of $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of paradimethylamidobenzaldehyde solution.

The nitrate solution was tested for the presence of nitrites by the addition of $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of a sulphanilic acid solution and $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. of a naphthylamine acetate solution.

The presence of gas in lactose agar stab was noted as a control on the isolation.

The gelatin stabs were incubated 10 days at 20°C., and the presence of liquefaction noted.

Bacterial Counts. All plates were counted, wherever possible.

In reporting actual count per c.c., averages were made in cases where the bacterial count exceeded 20 and was less than 500 colonies to the plate. The number reported was not in accordance with the standard method of reporting bacterial counts.

Outline of Experiments.

To Determine Variations and Bacteriological Data Due to Media Differences.

Experiments were run in duplicate, using the same sample for both tests, but using two lots of media; the first lot being made on January 21st, 1914, and stored in the refrigerator until used January 31st, 1914 (10 days), the second lot being made on January 28th, 1914, and stored in refrigerator until used for test January 31st, 1914 (3 days).

Experiment No. 1. Test of same location.

Three teaspoonful samples: A, B, and C, were collected from the same immediate location, 4" below surface of cream, and at center of can. These samples were melted in water bath, well shaken, and tested in duplicate for count and coli, using 10-day-old media for one test, and 3-day-old media for other tests.

Experiment No. 2. Test of different locations.

Three samples: (4 oz.) D, E, and F, were collected from top, middle, and bottom of center of can. These samples before testing were allowed to melt 10 minutes at room temperature (70°F.) and the melted portion sampled without shaking, with a 1 c.c. capacity pipette.

STRAWBERRY ICE CREAM.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

BACTERIAL COUNT PER C.C. THREE DAYS AT 37° C. ON

(One teaspoonful each) taken from about 3 inches from the top, in the middle of can.

Sample No.	Dilution	Beef Extract Agar			Dextrose Litmus Agar			Lactose Litmus Agar			Infusion Agar				
		10 days	3 days	Acid	10 days	3 days	Acid	10 days	3 days	Acid	10 days	3 days	Acid		
A	10,000	690	900	580	520	60	810	500	140	490	550	410	60	350	560
	100,000	400	600	300	100		200	400	100	500	100	500		100	600
	1,000,000	1,000		1,000			1,000			1,000					
B	10,000	710	790	510	390	90	550	440		420	440	370	190	450	260
	100,000	600	400	100	300		400	300	100	400	700	100	300	300	200
	1,000,000	2,000			1,000		1,000			1,000	2,000		50	3,000	1,000
C	10,000	990	970	540	770	70	540	540	70	530	550	400	20	710	410
	100,000	900	1,000	500	400		500	1,300		500	400	200	500	500	500
	1,000,000	3,000	1,000				1,000	1,000		1,000				1,000	1,000
D	10,000	790	590	380	360	90	460	500	40	390	580	420	30	430	170
	100,000	500	800	200	600		500	200		200	100	400		700	500
	1,000,000				spreader		1,000	1,000			1,000			2,000	2,000
E	10,000	930	840	480	100	90	370	570	60	430	480	340	60	500	440
	100,000	900	700	300	300		1,000	400		400	200	100	200	300	500
	1,000,000	5,000		1,000			2,000	1,000			1,000			100	
F	10,000	830	630	850	80		210	340		280	180	330	80	500	380
	100,000	700	400	700	600		100	600		400	100	300		300	100
	1,000,000	1,000	3,000	1,000	1,000		2,000	2,000						100	1,000

THREE DAY BILE

TEN DAY BILE

(One teaspoonful each) taken from the same location about 3 inches from the top, in the Description of Sample

Sample No.	Dilution	Gas Production Lac. Pep. Bile 24 48	Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Nitr.	Pep.	Gela.	B. Coll	Gas Production Lac. Lit. Bile 24 48	Lit. Lac. Agar Plate	Nitrate	Peptone	Gelatine	B. Coll
A	100	Tr.	50	+	+	—	+	Tr.	60	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	60	+	+	—	+	15	25	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	10	+	+	—	+	10	15	(=)			
	100,000	—	10	+	(=)		+	Tr.	Tr.	(=)			
	1,000,000	—	10	+	(=)		+	—	—	(=)			
B	100	Tr.	55	+	+	—	+	10	70	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	60	+	+	—	+	15	15	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	10	+	+	—	+	10	10	(=)			
	100,000	No vials	—	+	(=)		+	—	—				
	1,000,000	—	—	+	(=)		+	—	—				
C	100	Tr.	50	+	+	—	+	Tr.	60	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	50	+	+	—	+	60	70	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	10	+	(=)		+	30	70	+	+	—	+
	100,000	—	10	+	(=)		+	10	10	(=)			
	1,000,000	—	—	+	(=)		+	—	—				
D	100	Tr.	50	+	+	—	+	10	50	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	70	+	+	(=)	+	80	+	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	70	+	+	(=)	+	10	10	+	+	—	+
	100,000	—	10	+	(=)		+	—	10	+	+	—	+
	1,000,000	—	—	+	(=)		+	—	—	+	+	—	+
E	100	—	50	+	+	(=)	+	Tr.	60	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	80	+	+	(=)	+	50	80	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	10	+	+	(=)	+	30	75	+	+	—	+
	100,000	—	—	+	(=)	(=)	+	—	10	(=)			
	1,000,000	—	Tr.	+	+	(=)	+	—	—	(=)			
F	100	—	60	+	+	—	+	—	50	+	+	—	+
	1,000	—	90	+	+	(=)	+	40	70	+	+	—	+
	10,000	—	10	+	+	(=)	+	Tr.	10	+	+	—	+
	100,000	—	—	+	+	(=)	+	—	Tr.	+	+	—	+
	1,000,000	—	—	+	+	(=)	+	—	—	+	+	—	+

STRAWBERRY ICE CREAM.

Multiply results (except B. coli) by 1,000.

BACTERIAL COUNT PER C.C.

Sample	Dilution	5 days at 20° on				5 days at 30° on		Casein Agar	
		Beef Extract Agar		Infusion Agar		Total Counts		Peptonizers	
		10 da.	3 da.	10 da.	3 da.	10 da.	3 da.	10 da.	3 da.
A	10,000	1,430	1,170	900	800	400	440	320	400
	100,000	1,000	1,600	1,100	500	400	500	300	
	1,000,000	4,000	5,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000		
B	10,000	1,360	1,460	600	690	640	480	400	260
	100,000	1,200	700	500	1,100	500	1,000	300	500
	1,000,000	1,000		1,000		2,000		2,000	
C	10,000	1,590	1,210	650	840	560	360	260	220
	100,000	2,000	2,600	1,000	1,000	400	300	300	100
	1,000,000	1,000	1,000		2,000				
D	10,000	1,300	1,050	1,100	1,030	490	300	340	170
	100,000	1,400	1,500	700	400	500	300	500	
	1,000,000	1,000			2,000		1,000		
E	10,000	1,390	1,350	890	800	240	440	190	260
	100,000	1,200	1,100	800	500	400	300	400	200
	1,000,000	5,000	1,000		1,000	1,000	1,000		
F	10,000	1,190	540	560	380	250	370	170	180
	100,000	1,100	500	700	600	200	100	100	
	1,000,000		1,000		1,000	2,000		1,000	

DESCRIPTION OF SAMPLES.

Three samples A, B, C (one teaspoonful each) taken from the same location about 3 inches from the top, in the middle of the can.
D. Top middle. E. Center middle. F. Bottom middle.

Comments on Results of Tests.

The object of these investigations was to determine, as far as one investigation would give results, the effect of different lots of culture media made in the same institution, and by as near as possible the same methods, upon the variability of the bacterial counts. In the investigations of the one lot of strawberry ice cream duplicate culture media were used, one of which had been prepared three days prior to use, and the other ten days. The culture media used included beef extract agar, litmus lactose agar, infusion agar, casein agar, and the usual lactose bile fermentation tube tests for *Bacillus coli*.

1. There exists no uniform variation between the results from the two lots of culture media. The differences that exist between the counts obtained on any one sample plated on the two media, incubated at any one dilution,

at any one temperature, are no greater, and usually are less, than the differences between different samples taken from immediately contiguous locations in the can when tested on the same culture medium. Differences, therefore, in the preparation of the culture media cannot be a factor which would, in whole or in part, explain the differences of results obtained in the examination of samples from one can of ice cream in any one particular laboratory.

2. It is not even necessary to chart the results of the examinations obtained on this particular lot of ice cream to show the general variability in counts, for the reason that the figures very clearly show very pronounced differences, even when comparisons are made between results of examinations made under identical conditions, as far as possible.

General Conclusions.

1. The results of these investigations indicate conclusively the existence of a great variability in the bacterial counts of different portions of individual cans of ice cream.

2. As a general rule, the bacterial counts obtained by the use of beef extract agar, incubated for five days at 20°C., are subject to less variability than the bacterial counts obtained on the same medium incubated at 37°C. for forty-eight hours.

3. The wide differences noted in the results cannot be accounted for by variations in any of the following details of technique or methods of reading results:

(a) Variations in different lots of beef extract agar, or other media, prepared in the same laboratory under routine conditions.

(b) Slight variations in methods of measurement of the melted ice cream.

(c) By any irregularity in the method of melting the

sample, provided no destruction of bacteria is caused by any method pursued.

(d) By utilizing the results obtained on plates made from dilutions of the melted ice cream yielding either too high or too low counts generally considered satisfactory for general reading.

4. Variations in the bacterial contents of different portions of the can follow no uniform or regular system. One is as likely to find two contiguous samples having the extreme of difference, with widely separated portions showing great uniformity, as the reverse.

5. The making of duplicate plates from any dilution and averaging the results is a waste of effort, for the differences between contiguous samples are far greater than those due to any possible errors in technique.

6. Even the averaging of as many as twenty-four samples from a single can fails to give results which are accurately comparable within narrow limits, although the results are reasonably comparable on a broad basis.

7. From the above conclusions applied broadly to various lots of ice cream, and especially when one considers the detailed relationships between counts at different temperatures, and the different classes of bacteria as to acid and non-acid production and digestion or non-digestion of casein, the conclusion is warranted that each lot of ice cream is a law unto itself.

8. Bacterial counts on ice cream have an important, but very limited, usefulness. They give information only of a general character. It is entirely inappropriate to use them for passing judgment upon a product in any definite manner. The smaller the number of samples taken from a product, the less is the interpreter warranted in utilizing the results as a basis of judgment as to the sanitary character of the product.

9. The conclusions arrived at concerning the value of bacterial counts and their sanitary significance have, to

a large extent, equal applicability to the results of the determination of the numbers of *B. coli*, as ascertained by the lactose bile fermentation tube method. The standard methods for determining the numbers of *B. coli* in a given sample tend to develop in the casual observer, or even the technical worker, an unwarranted opinion of the accuracy of the results obtained. The methods do not call for the determination of numbers of *B. coli* between 100 and 1,000, or 1,000 and 10,000, or 10,000 and 100,000, etc. Competent bacteriologists have for years understood that any attempt to determine numbers of *B. coli* with greater accuracy than this method provides would tend to lead to erroneous conclusions. Therefore, reports of numbers of *B. coli* in samples on any other basis than the numerical system just described tend to lead to fictitious values and should be discountenanced. The results of the examinations of the three lots of ice cream for the numbers of colon bacilli show that even the lactose bile fermentation tube method results are exceedingly variable, and warrant the conclusion that the distribution of these organisms in any one sample of ice cream is far from uniform when they are present in any considerable number.

In the vanilla ice cream, one-half as many samples showed *B. coli* in 1—1,000 c.c. inoculations as there were in 1—10,000 c.c. inoculations. Approximately one-twelfth of all showed the presence of *B. coli* in 1—100,000 c.c. inoculations. Thus, a single examination of this ice cream might have given results indicating the presence of either 1,000 or 100,000 *B. coli* per c.c. Dependence, therefore, upon one test of a sample from a can of ice cream as to the *B. coli* content would be absolutely valueless. The chocolate ice cream examined contained practically no colon bacilli in 1—100 c.c. inoculations. The strawberry ice cream varied in its *B. coli* content from 100 *B. coli* per c.c. to 100,000, although 50% of the tests showed 1,000

B. coli and 33% showed 10,000. These facts show conclusively a totally unscientific basis for attempting to pass judgment upon the sanitary quality of ice cream by attributing sanitary significance to numbers of colon bacilli found in samples of this product, unless one attempted to draw the unwarranted conclusion that an ice cream containing more than a very small number, say 100 colon bacilli per c.c., was not prepared in a sanitary manner.

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**Bacteriological Investigations
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RIA IN PASTEURIZED MILK, PASTEUR-
IZED CREAM, CERTIFIED MILK AND
CERTIFIED CREAM REFERRED TO
AND PRESENTED IN PART
AT THE HEARING.

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Report in the matter of the Examination of Samples of Pasteurized Milk, Pasteurized Cream, Certified Milk and Certified Cream, purchased on the Open Market from Sheffield Farms Slawson-Decker Company, October 28, 1913.

SAMPLES: Six one-quart samples of Certified Milk, six quart samples of Grade "B" Pasteurized Milk were purchased on the open market and received at Lederle Laboratories October 28, 1913.

METHOD OF OBTAINING SAMPLES: Without shaking the bottles, 150 c.c. of cream were removed from each of five bottles of certified milk and each of five bottles of pasteurized milk, by means of sterile pipettes. This cream was placed in sterile flasks and packed in ice.

These samples are called certified cream and pasteurized cream respectively.

METHOD OF EXAMINATIONS: The certified cream and pasteurized cream respectively were placed in 2-oz. sterile bottles, making twelve samples of certified cream and twelve samples of pasteurized cream.

The remaining quarts of certified and pasteurized milk were well shaken, and twelve 2-oz. sterile bottles were filled from each.

These 48 samples were divided into three lots of 16

samples, each lot containing 4 samples of certified cream, certified milk, pasteurized cream, pasteurized milk, one lot being placed at 12°C, one lot at 20°C and one lot at 37°C.

All samples were examined daily, the first examination being of the fresh sample, and the examinations being continued until souring took place.

These examinations were made, for bacterial count, on Beef Extract Agar at 37°C. for 2 days, and for the presence of Colon type organisms in Lactose Peptone Bile at 37°C. for 3 days.

Organoleptic tests were conducted on all samples daily until souring occurred, and finally on the sixth day of holding on all samples.

CERTIFIED CREAM.

Bacteria per c.c. on B.E. Agar, 2 days at 37°C and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	1	2	3	4
Fresh	24,000	sweet	33,000	sweet
1 day	4,800,000	sweet	67,000	sweet
2 days	23,000	sweet	32,000,000	sweet
3 "	15,500	sweet	6,500,000	sweet
4 "	unc TT	turning	65,000,000	turning
5 "	no growth M	clabbered	28,000,000	turning
6 "		curd whey	300,000,000	turning

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	5	6	7	8
Fresh	19,000	sweet	24,000	sweet
1 day	910,000	sweet	50,000	sweet
2 days	180,000,000	turning	90,000,000	turning
3 "	305,000,000	clabbered	405,000,000	turning
4 "				
5 "				
6 "		curd & whey	curd & whey	curd & whey

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	9	10	11	12
Fresh	27,500	sweet	32,000	sweet
1 day	560,000,000	turning	560,000,000	turning
2 days	34,500,000	curd whey	22,000,000	curd whey
3 "				
4 "				
5 "				
6 "				

CERTIFIED MILK.

Bacteria per c.c. on B.E. Agar, 2 days at 37°C and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	13	14	15	16
Fresh	1,200	1,000	17,000	3,200
1 day	900	900	20,000	2,200
2 days	unc. TT	15,000,000	230,000	5,000,000
3 "	spreader TT	44,000,000	1,100,000	2,400,000
4 "	24,500,000	390,000,000	130,000,000	480,000,000
5 "	510,000,000	3,000,000,000	9,000,000	900,000,000
6 "	1,200,000,000	clabbered	clabbered	clabbered
		clabbered	curd whey	curd whey

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	17	18	19	20
Fresh	900	420	16,000	3,100
1 day	6,000	3,000	40,000	40,000
2 days	105,000,000	9,000,000	29,000,000	64,000,000
3 "	175,000,000	3,900,000	440,000,000	810,000,000
4 "				
5 "		clabbered and gas	clabbered	clabbered
6 "	curd whey			

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	21	22	23	24
Fresh	1,000	1,300	25,000	2,400
1 day	755,000,000	755,000,000	505,000,000	440,000,000
2 days	520,000,000	390,000,000	215,000,000	150,000,000
3 "				
4 "				
5 "	casein precipitated	casein precipitated	curd whey	curd whey
6 "				

GRADE B PASTEURIZED CREAM.

Bacteria per c.c. on B.E. Agar, 2 days at 37°C and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	25	26	27	28
Fresh	62,000	sweet	130,000	sweet
1 day	57,000	sweet	20,000	sweet
2 days	38,000,000	sweet	24,000,000	sweet
3 "	310,000,000	sweet	18,500,000	sweet
4 "	740,000,000	turning	160,000,000	turning
5 "	50,000,000	curd whey	40,000,000	clabbered
6 "				curd & whey
		74,000		54,000
		20,000		33,000
		spreader		
		31,500,000		28,000,000
		100,000,000		170,000,000
		520,000,000		260,000,000
		15,000,000		180,000,000

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	29	30	31	32
Fresh	94,000	sweet	90,000	sweet
1 day	14,000,000	sweet	7,800,000	sweet
2 days	44,000,000	turning	650,000,000	turning
3 "	40,000,000,000	curd whey	265,000,000	turning
4 "		84,000		42,000
5 "		12,500,000		15,000,000
6 "		1,100,000,000		1,130,000,000
		690,000,000		230,000,000
				curd whey

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	33	34	35	36
Fresh	82,000	sweet	120,000	sweet
1 day	97,000,000	turning	105,000,000	turning
2 days	74,000,000	curd whey	77,000,000	curd whey
3 "		82,000		52,000
4 "		125,000,000		77,000,000
5 "		56,000,000		12,000,000
6 "				

GRADE B PASTEURIZED MILK.

Bacteria per c.c. on B.E. Agar, 2 days at 37°C and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	37	38	39	40
Fresh	11,800	9,800	60,000	14,000
1 day	35,000	21,000	20,000	sweet 21,000
2 days	spreaders			
3 "	11,500,000	29,000,000	28,500,000	sweet
4 "	315,000,000	175,000,000	32,000,000	sweet
5 "	280,000,000	180,000,000	35,000,000	sweet
6 "	80,000,000	14,000,000	20,000,000	sweet turning clabbered
		and gas		clabbered

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	41	42	43	44
Fresh	31,500	9,500	20,000	No growth TT
1 day	7,900,000	10,000,000	10,800,000	sweet
2 days	unc H.T.	820,000,000	940,000,000	sweet turning
3 "	spreaders M			
4 "	380,000,000	380,000,000	480,000,000	clabbered
5 "				clabbered
6 "	curd & whey	curd & whey	curd & whey	curd & whey

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	45	46	47	48
Fresh	11,000	8,600	160,000	10,000
1 day	220,000,000	170,000,000	170,000,000	170,000,000
2 days	40,000,000	54,000,000	62,000,000	40,000,000
3 "				
4 "				
5 "				
6 "	casein precipitated	casein precipitated	casein precipitated	sweet turning clabbered

CERTIFIED CREAM.

Number of Bacteria of the B.Coli type per c.c. and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	1	2	3	4
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	100	—10	sweet	sweet
2 days	1,000 +	sweet	sweet	sweet
3 "	10,000 +	sweet	sweet	sweet
4 "	100,000 +	1,000,000 +	100,000	100,000
5 "	100,000 +	100,000 +	100,000	100,000
6 "	10,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
	clabbered	turning	turn, not cl.	turning
	why curd	why curd	turning	turning

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	5	6	7	8
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	10,000	10,000 +	sweet	sweet
2 days	1,000,000 +	sweet	sweet	sweet
3 "	1,000,000 +	turning	turning	turning
4 "	1,000,000 +	clabbered	1,000,000 +	1,000,000
5 "			1,000,000 +	1,000,000
6 "		curd whey	curd whey	curd whey

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	9	10	11	12
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	10,000	10,000	sweet	sweet
2 days	—10,000	—10,000	turning	turning
3 "			curd whey	curd whey
4 "			100,000	100,000
5 "			—1,000,000	—10,000
6 "				

CERTIFIED MILK.

Number of Bacteria of the B.Coli type per c.c. and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	13	14	15	16
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	—10	sweet	sweet	sweet
2 days	1,000	sweet	—1,000	—100
3 "	1,000	sweet	—1,000	1,000,000
4 "	100,000	sweet	100,000	100,000
5 "	10,000,000	turning	1,000,000	10,000
6 "		clabbered	clabbered	clabbered
		clabbered	curd & whey	curd & whey

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	17	18	19	20
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	—100	sweet	sweet	sweet
2 days	10,000 +	sweet	—10,000	—1,000
3 "	10,000 +	turning	10,000	100,000
4 "		clabbered	1,000,000 +	100,000
5 "		clabbered + gas		
6 "		curd & whey	clabbered	clabbered

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	21	22	23	24
Fresh	0	0	—100	—100
1 day	10,000 +	sweet	1,000,000	10,000
2 days	1,000,000 +	sweet	—100,000	1,000,000
3 "		clabbered	clabbered	clabbered
4 "		casein precipitated		
5 "		casein precipitated	curd & whey	curd & whey
6 "				

GRADE B PASTEURIZED CREAM.

Number of Bacteria of the B.Coli type per c.c. and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	25	26	27	28
Fresh	100 +	100 +	100	100
1 day	100	1,000 +	1,000	sweet
2 days	10,000 +	100,000 +	sweet	sweet
3 "	100,000 +	1,000,000 +	sweet	sweet
4 "	1,000,000 +	10,000,000 +	turning	sweet
5 "	10,000,000 +	100,000,000	clabbered	turning
6 "	100,000,000	1,000,000,000	clabbered	clabbered
		curd & whey	curd & whey	curd & whey

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	29	30	31	32
Fresh	10	100	100	100
1 day	10,000 +	10,000 +	sweet	sweet
2 days	100,000,000 +	1,000,000	turning	sweet
3 "	10,000,000	1,000,000	clabbered	turning
4 "		curd & whey	curd & whey	turning
5 "				
6 "				

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	33	34	35	36
Fresh	100	100	100	100
1 day	100,000	100,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
2 days	10,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	10,000,000
3 "		curd & whey	turning	turning
4 "			curd & whey	curd & whey
5 "				
6 "				

GRADE B PASTEURIZED MILK.

Number of Bacteria of the B.Coli type per c.c. and organoleptic tests. Held at 12°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	37	38	39	40
Fresh	10	sweet	—100	sweet
1 day	10	sweet	—1,000	sweet
2 days	10,000 +	sweet	100,000	100
3 "	100,000	sweet	10,000	10,000
4 "	1,000,000 +	sweet	100,000	100,000 +
5 "	1,000,000	sweet	100,000	1,000,000
6 "	1,000,000	turning	100,000	sweet
	curd & whey	clabbered	clabbered	turning
		and gas		clabbered

Held at 20°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	41	42	43	44
Fresh	10	sweet	—100	sweet
1 day	10,000	sweet	—1,000	sweet
2 days	100,000 +	turning	100,000	10,000
3 "	1,000,000	clabbered	100,000	1,000,000
4 "	1,000,000		100,000	1,000,000
5 "		curd & whey		curd & whey
6 "				

Held at 37°C.

SAMPLE NUMBERS:

Period of Incubation	45	46	47	48
Fresh	1	sweet	—100	sweet
1 day	100,000	turning	1,000,000	1,000,000
2 days	1,000,000	clabbered	—1,000,000	1,000,000
3 "				turning
4 "				curd & whey
5 "				
6 "	casein precipitated	casein precipitated	casein precipitated	casein precipitated

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